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Councillor Clyde Loakes

Deputy Leader of
Waltham Forest Council
Cabinet Member for Environment

DEAR RESIDENT

From our conversations with you we know that the cleanliness and quality of our streets is one of your main concerns.

That is why we have made enormous efforts in recent years to improve our local environment by hammering down fly-tipping by a third, providing a free bulky waste collection service, and pushing policy changes and making innovative improvements to tackle enviro-crime.

We want to continue to improve the quality of these services, but we also need you – our residents – to help. That means putting your litter in the bin when you're out and about, picking up after your dog and reducing, reusing and recycling whatever you can.

Where you see fly-tipping or other problems in your neighbourhood, we want to hear about it and work with you to stop people messing up our borough. To help us to achieve this we have set up a new Neighbourhoods Team that is dedicated to making sure that your streets are clean, green, safe and most of all loved.

Each of the four neighbourhoods of the borough – North, Central, South East and South West – has its own dedicated team of officers who cover everything from waste and recycling to noise nuisance and anti-social behaviour.

Over the coming weeks you will be able to read more about the work of the new Neighbourhoods Team in Waltham Forest News. Our aim is to deliver the best possible service to our residents, and work with you to make the most of Waltham Forest.

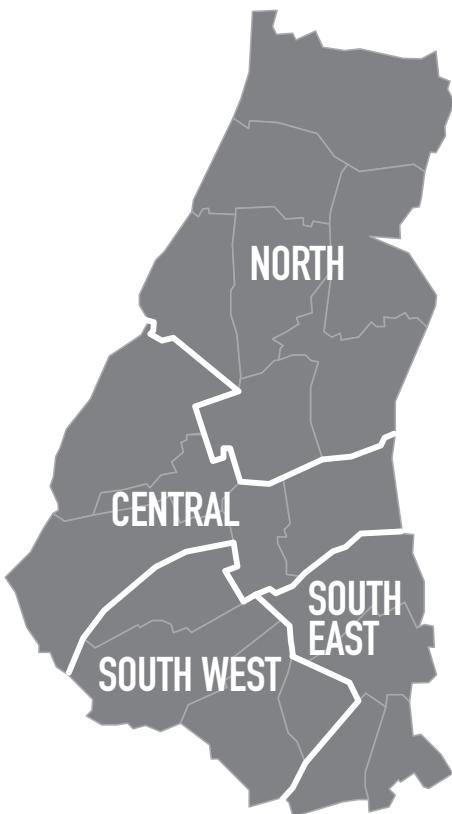
MAKING SURE YOUR STREET IS CLEAN GREEN SAFE LOVED

The borough is divided into four neighbourhood areas, each headed up by a manager.

As well as getting on with all of the day-to-day services that you expect, they work with councillors, residents and other organisations to spot patterns and tackle problems before they arise.

Coordinating activity across a whole host of partners from other Council services and the police to the UK Border Agency and HMRC, the new Neighbourhoods Team makes sure that the right people are on board to bring about lasting solutions to any issues.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:



- STREET TRADING
- UNTIDY FRONT GARDENS
- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
- MONITORING PARKS AND OPEN SPACES
- REFUSE AND STREET CLEANSING (MANAGING CONTRACTORS)
- ENVIRO-CRIME
- ABANDONED VEHICLES
- FLY-TIPPING
- FOOD HYGIENE
- PLANNING ENFORCEMENT
- WASTE, CLEANSING, GROUNDS, AND ARBORICULTURAL MANAGEMENT
- ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR
- GRAFFITI REMOVAL



DANGEROUS DOGS

Introduced in 2010 the Dog Enforcement Team helps keep residents safe in our parks and open spaces.

Since that time the team has gone from strength to strength, achieving the "RSPCA Gold Footprint Award" six years in a row, and now not only covers the entire borough, but is also paid to deliver services to Enfield and Haringey, and works across London with the Metropolitan Police. The Dog Enforcement service is a key part of our new Neighbourhoods Team and operates seven days a week, 365 days a year.

Waltham Forest has the largest local authority kennel facility in London and in the last five years the team has collected over 2,220 stray dogs, and seized over 400 banned breeds.

The team recently seized a Dogo Argentino, which is a rarely seen breed in the UK and is banned under the Dangerous Dogs Act. The breed originated from Argentina where they are used for big-game hunting. Only a handful of this breed has been seized since they were banned in 1991.





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Lea Bridge Station on track

Lea Bridge Station is set to reopen in 2016 and work has already begun on site

Leyton residents will soon be able to reach two of London's key transport hubs in just 12 minutes – a third of the time it currently takes. After 30 years of closure, works to re-open Lea Bridge Station have started, marking the culmination of a 15 year vision for Waltham Forest Council.

Lea Bridge Station sits in the Northern Olympic Fringe Area – a spot identified for its future regeneration and growth potential. But since the station's closure 30 years ago, commuters wanting fast access to Stratford and Tottenham Hale have had to grapple with bus journeys of around 40 minutes, and even longer to get to Stansted Airport.

Work needed to re-open the station in 2016 started on site on Monday 18 May. When it is finished, passengers will have direct links to both Stratford and Tottenham Hale and journey times of five minutes apiece.

Stratford is the nearest high-speed station to central London, connecting to services to Europe, and Tottenham Hale provides easy connections to Stansted Airport, meaning the new station will open the western part of Waltham Forest

up to commercial opportunities in London and Europe.

The scheme is funded with a mixture of £5million in Council capital funding, £1.1million from the Department for Transport's New Stations Fund and £5.5million from Stratford City Section 106 funds.

Council Leader, Chris Robbins, said: "Lea Bridge Station will really help open Leyton up for growth, giving the area better and faster links to crucial transport hubs, and making it a more attractive prospect for residents, developers and businesses.

"For years it's been a project we have committed to making happen, and going forward it will form the centrepiece of wider plans to rejuvenate the area and create a new Leyton village, spurring even more regeneration and change."

Abellio Greater Anglia will run the station's train services when it re-opens.

More info

For more information on the Council's 'Creating a better place' campaign visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/betterplace.

Youngsters enjoy Museums at Night

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Dozens of children camped out at the William Morris Gallery as part of Museums at Night – a UK-wide festival that sees museums open their doors 'after hours'



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Landlord licensing information



- **Borough landlords have until 15 June to get their discounted Private Rented Property Licence**
- **Scheme aims to improve housing standards for residents who rent privately**

Time is running out for the borough's landlords to take advantage of the Council's 50 per cent discount offer for Private Rented Property Licences. The 'early bird' offer runs until Monday 15 June, and saves landlords £250 per property for a five year licence.

All properties that are privately rented in the borough now need to be licenced, and a separate licence is required for each and every property. The only way to apply for a licence is online. Those who miss out on the 'early bird' offer will have to pay the full cost of £500 for each licence they require.

Landlords found without a licence face enforcement action that could result in prosecution and a fine. Once in possession of a licence,

landlords that do not comply with the conditions of licence could also be subject to a fine.

Cllr Khevin Limbajee, Cabinet Member for Housing, said: "We have many good landlords in the borough who are very supportive of the scheme. They understand the need to improve housing standards for the benefit of all residents and tackle anti-social behaviour. The reduced rate of £250 for five years works out at 96p a week, so it is not a huge expense and one that any decent, responsible landlord – of which there are many in the borough – will be more than willing to pay."

More info

For more information, and to apply for your licence visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/prpl.

In my opinion



Nick Cheshire

Director, Little Free Library Project

I should start by saying that I'm not an artist. At least I wouldn't consider myself to be an artist. However, about this time last year, I found myself at the centre of what I would have to describe as an art project. Almost every room of my house was filled with colourfully-decorated little house shaped boxes. Twelve in total, they would each be filled with books and go on to be installed in gardens, cafes, pubs and community spaces around Walthamstow as part of the 10th annual E17 Art Trail.

I moved to Walthamstow 11 years ago, the same year that the Art Trail first began. I had always been aware of the Trail and have enjoyed many of the exhibitions and performances over the years, but never thought that it was something I would be directly involved with.

By getting involved as an exhibitor last year and working with some fantastic local artists, I have gained an illuminating insight into the world of art. The Trail gives both professional and aspiring artists the opportunity to share their creative ideas with the community.

The Trail also encourages

collaboration between artists and community organisers. From my perspective, the Trail enabled me to take an idea that I had seen in a small town in America and recreate it in my own way.

Working with some of the area's best artists, we were able to create London's first neighbourhood network of Little Free Libraries. Launched at last year's Trail, what started as a one-off project has now become a thriving national charity. We have continued to collaborate with artists across London and the UK, with LFLs popping up from Brighton to Bradford. On Thursday

14 May we opened the first Little Free Library in central London – a full sized replica of a traditional red phone box!

The charity's aims are to promote art, reading and community engagement.

Without the E17 Art Trail, we wouldn't have been able to do this. I may not consider myself to be an artist, but the Trail has enabled me

to take art to places and people who need it most. Come along and see some of the brilliant exhibits and performances at this year's Trail. You never know, maybe you're an artist after all!

This year's Trail takes place from Saturday 30 May to Sunday 14 June. To find out more, visit www.e17arttrail.co.uk.

Want to have your say?

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Universal Credit introduced

The government's Universal Credit scheme, which is changing the way that some people receive certain benefits, began in Waltham Forest on Monday 18 May. Universal Credit is a new type of benefit which aims to support people who are on a low income or out of work. It is administered by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).

Universal Credit is being introduced in stages, and will eventually replace housing benefit, income support (IS), jobseekers allowance (JSA), employment and support allowance (ESA), child

tax credit and working tax credit, budgeting loans and crisis loans. Some other types of benefits will continue to exist. Some will count as income when universal credit is calculated, and others will not. People of pension age will not be affected by Universal Credit.

People who are eligible for Universal Credit will receive a single monthly payment into their chosen bank account. If the payment you receive includes rent, you will need to pay this directly to your landlord yourself.

At present, Universal Credit only affects some newly unemployed single people in Waltham Forest.

This includes those who are eligible for housing benefit. Whether or not you can claim Universal Credit depends on your individual circumstances. For example, at the moment it will not apply to couples, carers, families with dependent children, homeless people or those living in supported or temporary accommodation.

The DWP say that the amount of Universal Credit people receive will gradually reduce as they earn more, but that unlike JSA your payment won't stop when you work more than 16 hours a week. This means that people can take temporary jobs without having to make a brand new

claim if that work comes to an end.

Those who make a claim for Universal Credit will be required to sign a 'Claimant Commitment' which requires you to search or prepare for work for 35 hours a week.

More info

For more information on Universal Credit, including a list of frequently asked questions, visit www.gov.uk/universal-credit. For more information about the Council's benefit service visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/benefitsonline or phone 020 8496 3000. Free internet access is available at all Waltham Forest Libraries.

In brief

Leytonstone market

Love Your Local Market 2015, which ran from Wednesday 13 to Wednesday 27 May, not only saw plenty of local residents taking advantage of the established markets up and down the borough, but also saw the introduction of a new market to Leytonstone. The new monthly street market in Church Lane launched on Saturday 16 May featuring a range of handcrafted goods, artwork and homemade food, among other stalls. It follows an initial successful four day trial in the build up to Christmas last year.

- For more information about the borough's markets visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/markets-information or phone 020 8496 3000.

EMD cinema announcement



Plans to bring the former Granada/EMD Cinema in Hoe Street, Walthamstow back into use have received a boost

Plans to bring the 1930s EMD cinema on Hoe Street in Walthamstow back into community use took a giant leap forward last week, when the purchase of the building was formally completed by Antic Pub Chain.

Leader of Waltham Forest Council, Chris Robbins, announced the purchase at the Annual Council meeting on Thursday 21 May. Cllr Robbins said: "After a long drawn out period, I am delighted to announce that Antic Pub Chain

have today completed the purchase of the EMD building. This is a major step in bringing this wonderful building back into community use and making sure that our residents can enjoy top quality entertainment facilities right here in our borough."

"We now expect a planning application in the coming weeks and further discussions between Antic and Soho Theatre about the running of the auditorium, but for now we can all recognise what an important step this is in a very long running saga."

Eat or Heat Fun Run

Residents are being encouraged to raise vitally-needed funds for local food bank Eat or Heat by taking part in a fun run. The event takes place in Lloyd Park (Forest Road, E17 4PP) on Saturday 13 June between 11am and 4pm. You can run it, walk it, rollerskate or even hop it! Entrants will receive an Eat or Heat t shirt, route map and sponsorship forms. A children's run will also take place. Online registration closes on Friday 5 June, but you can sign up on the day between 9.30 and 10.15am. Entry costs £5 per adult and £1 for children or a donation of tinned meat or vegetables.

- For more information, visit www.eatorheat.org, www.facebook.com/EatorHeat or tweet @eatorheat.

VE Day celebrations

The 70th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day, which marked the end of the Second World War in Europe, was commemorated with special events in Waltham Forest. On Saturday 9 May a parade took place in Leytonstone, marching from St John's Church on the High Road to the Ex-Services Club in Harvey Road. At the club there was a short service, followed by celebrations continuing into the evening. On Sunday 10 May another parade took place in Chingford, starting at the Royal British Legion branch in Hall Lane, and ending with a service at St Edmund's Church on Larkswood Road. Following the service there was a street party held at the British Legion.

- For more information on events taking place in the borough visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/events.

Improving quality of life for all

Waltham Forest Council has five key priorities to help improve the lives of residents. In this edition we look at what is being done to help all residents enjoy a good quality of life



Whether it's helping ease financial pressures by freezing council tax until at least 2016 or investing in services designed to help you and your family stay healthy and happy, the Council is working hard to support residents.

We're investing millions to refurbish leisure centres, delivering an extensive arts and events programme, and maintaining and improving the parks and open spaces you and your families love to visit.

Freedom Pass

Funding the Freedom Pass scheme for older, vulnerable and disabled residents is just one of the ways in which the Council is helping local people enjoy a good quality of life.

The fantastic initiative helps thousands of older and eligible disabled people to live independently by giving them the opportunity to get out of their home and travel around the capital for free.

Eligible residents will be able to apply for a Freedom Pass online for the first time from Monday 1 July. Anyone unable

to apply online can use a paper form, which is available at local libraries and to download from the Freedom Pass website.

For more information, visit www.freedompass.org or phone 0300 330 1433 Monday to Sunday, 8am to 8pm.

Our Parks gets social

Residents have been enjoying free outdoor activity sessions in the borough's parks since March 2014, thanks to the Our Parks scheme.

More than 4,500 of you have signed up, attending a combined total of more than 20,000 fitness sessions in the first year. Sessions are suitable for all ages and abilities, and are completely free to attend. Aside from the obvious health benefits, the programme also gives you the opportunity to meet new people.

Our Parks is set to be extended this summer to include 'social sport' sessions. To encourage even more people to take part, the scheme will start offering sports such as volleyball and football – perfect for residents who like to keep fit by playing team sports, but who don't have

enough people to form a team.

For more information visit www.ourparks.org.uk/borough/waltham-forest.

Museums at night

Every year, thousands of residents enjoy dozens of free events laid on by the Council as part of the 'Get Together' programme. But as well as these large scale events, the award-winning William Morris Gallery (Forest Road, E17 4PY) and Vestry House Museum (E17 9NH) host hundreds of other activities for families.

The William Morris Gallery hosted an unusual event on Saturday 16 May as 40 visitors turned up with pyjamas for a special sleepover. Families spent the night at the Gallery as part of Museums at Night – a UK-wide festival that sees museums open their doors 'after hours'.

The 'Expedition to Iceland' sleepover was inspired by William Morris' fascination with Iceland, the landscape, its people and strong folk culture. Families laid out their sleeping bags before exploring the Gallery in darkness and using torches to decode clues

about the objects on display.

They also took part in workshops and watched a new specially-commissioned show from E17 Puppet Project about Sigurd the Volsung.

For more information visit www.wmgallery.org.uk or phone 020 8496 4390.

'From Poland to Waltham Forest'

A new heritage lottery-funded exhibition opens at Vestry House Museum on Saturday 30 May as part of the community-led E17 Art Trail 2015. 'From Poland to Waltham Forest' is a project from Share UK, a non-profit organisation based in Walthamstow.

Between October 2014 and March 2015 local artist Esther Freeman conducted oral history interviews with people of Polish heritage who live in Waltham Forest. Some fled war, persecution and poverty; others came for work, love or friendship. Through 15 individual stories, spanning four migratory waves, the exhibition illustrates how Polish people have shaped the community we know today.

For more information visit www.frompoland.org.uk.

Going swimmingly

Recently, it's seemed as though a typical English summer is on the cards this year – when it's not tipping down with rain, it's hot enough to melt the flake in your 99. So if you want to cool off when the sun does decide to shine, the Council has a range of free and low cost swimming options for those keen to don their trunks and armbands.

Waltham Forest offers free swimming for under 18s, over 60s and disabled people. Young residents who are under 18 can swim for free at any time at the borough's pools, programme permitting. All that's needed is a membership card which costs £1 from any Waltham Forest leisure centre.

Adults aged 60 and over who hold a Freedom Pass can also take advantage of free swimming seven days a week. To be eligible, they need a pay and play card, which costs £7.10 for an annual pass and is available at any leisure centre, with proof of age and address.

For more information visit www.better.org.uk/areas/waltham-forest.

What you say

Residents tell Waltham Forest News what they think about the Council's work to help all residents enjoy a good quality of life



John Norman, Chingford

"I think it's good to have a free programme of activities. I quite like music events if I'm honest so anything to support local music acts would be really good, and a way to help up and coming local bands."



Janne Bigombe, Chingford

"It's really nice having free swimming because I have children. It would be good to increase the number of places that put on physical activities so that everyone can have access. For example, some churches have halls and if they are not using these spaces maybe the Council could make use of them."



Harley Cooper, Chingford

"I went to the Chingford Big Weekender last year and I'm planning to go again this year – it was really good. It has a sense of community and is something nice to do in the summer. Along with things like the food markets that come up in the summer, it puts the place on the map a bit."



Priority:

Help all of our residents enjoy a good quality of life

Family

Commitment:

- Freeze Council Tax until at least 2016 and continue to fund the freedom pass scheme
- Provide young and older residents with a range of activities and support such as free swimming, holiday clubs and Christmas lunches
- Support an extensive arts and events programme for everyone, via the Council and in the community
- Maintain high quality parks, green spaces and affordable, modern leisure centres

Priority: **We will keep your neighbourhood clean and safe**

Priority: **We will support affordable housing for everyone's needs**

Priority: **We will help build a strong local economy and thriving town centres**



Waltham Forest



In brief



Residents thronged to the opening earlier this month

Gnome House

The opening of Gnome House, a new community arts hub, on the site of a former World War One aircraft engine factory on Saturday 2 May was attended by around 1,000 local residents. The 1,800 square foot venue on Blackhorse Lane, Walthamstow was opened by Mayor of Waltham Forest, Cllr Terry Wheeler, along with the help of local children. The launch event included African drumming, classical Indian dancing, a street-dance workshop, face painting, live music, t-shirt printing and spoken word poetry by local young people.

• For more information, visit www.gnomehouse.org.uk.

Where in Wally?

ArchitectsE17 have launched a mapping project called 'Where in Wally?' and are looking for input from local residents. They would like residents to nominate a treasured publicly-accessible place in Walthamstow and tell the story of why they appreciate it so much. A form on their website allows details to be included and the place will then appear on the Where in Wally map in a few days. As part of the E17 Art Trail running between Saturday 30 May and Saturday 13 June the place will have a special tag attached along with the story.

• For more visit <https://architectse17.wordpress.com/where-in-wally/>.

Chicken Challenge

Three quarters of us eat chicken every week, so Waltham Forest Council's Food and Safety Team are urging residents to take the Chicken Challenge to avoid food poisoning. You should bag and store raw chicken separately from other food, and keep it covered and chilled on the bottom shelf of the fridge. Don't wash raw chicken as it splashes germs around the kitchen. Wash everything that's touched raw chicken in soap and hot water – including your hands and utensils. And check chicken is cooked properly so that it is steaming hot, with no pink meat and juices that run clear.

• You can sign up to take the pledge at www.food.gov.uk/chickenchallenge. You could even win a prize!



Cllr Clyde Loakes on the set of the film launched to promote the new neighbourhoods model

New Neighbourhoods Team

- **Council launches Neighbourhoods Team for environmental services**
- **New locally-focused service will see a dedicated officer for each ward**

The way the Council delivers environmental services is changing with the creation of new Neighbourhoods Team. These will manage all the services which collectively make sure your street is safe, clean, green and, most of all, loved.

The new Neighbourhoods Teams will look after services including street cleaning, waste and recycling, street trading, fly-tipping and other enviro-crimes, noise, planning enforcement, anti-social behaviour and more.

The Council understands that the cleanliness and quality of our streets continues to be one of the main concerns raised by residents and is a key issue influencing their everyday quality of life.

That's why it has put such an emphasis on encouraging residents to reduce, reuse and recycle whatever they can and why it has made tackling enviro-crime such a particular priority over recent years.

From hammering down fly-tipping by a third, to providing a free bulky waste service and fining

people caught littering or spitting in our town centres, Waltham Forest has been pushing policy changes and making innovative improvements year on year.

"We will of course continue to work hard to maintain the quality of those services, but we also need to go further," said Cllr Clyde Loakes, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment.

"We are evolving our service so that our residents not only help to keep the borough clean, but become more engaged in what's happening in their neighbourhoods."

The Council has created four new Neighbourhoods Teams, each with responsibility for a number of wards, and each ward with a dedicated officer. By placing officers at the heart of communities, they can help to make a real difference in maintaining standards and addressing issues.

"We want our residents to love where they live and take pride in their neighbourhoods, and our staff to work in partnership with them to

ensure we play our part," said Cllr Loakes.

"By localising our staff and providing them with electronic equipment in the form of tablets, we can be more visible, more responsive, more approachable and more flexible in addressing the needs of the different communities we serve."

The Council is promising that the change will allow them to provide a far more proactive service that identifies issues as they arise and anticipates patterns of concern before they develop.

By having an improved presence on the streets and a more concentrated remit for each team, it is hoped that the new service will encourage residents to engage in a far more meaningful way.

In order to help publicise the new service, the Council recently made a short film in Coronation Gardens, Leyton. The film shows a living room being assembled in the park from items that have been collected through the partnership the Council has with Forest Recycling.

"We've won awards for the 'Furnishing the Future' programme by diverting items away from being recycled or disposed of, to being reused," said Cllr Loakes. "When a resident asks for a bulky waste collection, they are asked if the item might be reused.

"Items such as sofas or wardrobes often have plenty of life left in them, so by arranging for Forest Recycling to pick them up they can be found a new home. Many of the items in the film are just the sort of things found fly-tipped on our streets and yet they can all be either recycled or reused and picked up free of charge by our Bulky Waste Collection Service."

More info

For more information on the new service visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/mystreet. You can also view the film by visiting the Council's YouTube page at <https://youtu.be/UyC8TkUaSp0>. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Caribbean con company clobbered in court

- Council's Trading Standards Service hit holiday firm for £3,749
- Court provides justice for resident sent fake electronic flight ticket



A Waltham Forest resident's family holiday was ruined when a travel agent took £9,000 for flight bookings and then issued fake electronic tickets

Waltham Forest Council's Trading Standards Service flexed its muscles recently when a local resident was left high and dry by travel agents after booking a holiday to Jamaica.

The resident complained to Trading Standards after parting with over £9,000 for a dream holiday for a family of five with Virgin Atlantic Airlines. The booking was made over the telephone with Flexi Holidays Limited of 86-90 Paul Street,

London EC2 in March 2014, but the money was never transferred to Virgin.

On a number of occasions they told the consumer that the flights had been booked and the tickets would follow. They even went as far as issuing a fake electronic flight ticket, but inadvertently used a phased out Virgin Atlantic Airways logo on the ticket to give it an authentic appearance. To add insult to injury, Flexi Holidays shamelessly

wished the consumer "an enjoyable holiday" in a covering letter.

Thankfully, the resident's diligence caused her to query the validity of the ticket. The savvy consumer had also taken the precaution of paying using a credit card, which gave her a certain degree of protection and meant she could recoup a large portion of the monies paid out.

The case was heard on 10 April at Thames Magistrates' Court in the absence of Company Director Karla James, who failed to attend. Flexi Holidays was found guilty on two counts under the Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008, for engaging in an unfair commercial practice, and one count under the Trade Marks Act 1994. The company was ordered to pay a fine of £3,000, costs of £629 and a £120 victim's surcharge.

"This company got exactly what it deserved and I commend our Trading Standards Service for seeing

this matter through on behalf of the resident," said Cllr Clyde Loakes, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment.

"At a time when this Council is doing everything it can to help small businesses create employment and opportunities in the borough it is all the more important to ensure rogue traders like this are held to account. Let this be a warning to any business looking to rip off the residents of Waltham Forest, we will not hesitate to put you in court to face the consequences of your actions."

More info

For more information contact the Citizens Advice consumer service on **03454 04 05 06** for advice and assistance on compensation. Waltham Forest Trading Standards can be contacted on **020 8496 3000** and via the Council's website at www.walthamforest.gov.uk.

In brief



The group at their exhibition

Park exhibition

The Lloyd Park Sharing Heritage Group's 'Then and Now' exhibition proved a roaring success last month, with over 850 visitors, including members of the History Society, pupils from Walthamstow's Whitefields School, and a host of residents.

The exhibition included interpretive artworks, an animation film, photographs, poetry, maps and even bottles discovered buried in the park. The group's film can still be viewed on the Council's website at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/lloyd-park. If you're over 50 and would like to meet new people and enjoy weekly activities about the heritage of the park, you can join the Lloyd Park Sharing Heritage Group every Wednesday between 10am and 12noon.

• For more information phone **020 8496 3000** or email ellie.mortimer@walthamforest.gov.uk.

Play Area improvements

12 Play Areas in Waltham Forest are being improved during 2015 under the Parks and Play improvement programme.

The play areas to be improved are:

Abbotts Park, Coppermill Park, Dames Road Play Area, Henry Reynolds Gardens, Highams Park, Langthorne Park, Memorial Park, Pimp Hall Park, Queens Road Play Area, Priory Court Housing Estate Play Area, Stoneydown Park (U7's), Vestry Road Play Area.

The following two play areas will be improved by the end of October 2015:

Coppermill Park, Coppermill Lane, E17 7HE
Stoneydown Park, Longfield Avenue, E17 6NJ

A selection of Design and Build contractors have been invited to submit conceptual designs for the two play areas.

The selection of the final company will only take place once contractors have engaged residents to find out what they would like to see, use, play and value.

Do you want to share your design ideas?

Come along and have your say at the following drop in session.

Saturday 30 May 2015

10am – 2pm Stoneydown Park Primary School, 89 Pretoria Avenue, Walthamstow, E17 6JY

Meet the designers, comment on the initial designs and find out more about the Parks and Play 2015 Improvements Programme.



If you have access requirements or would like more information please email environmental.services@walthamforest.gov.uk or phone **Ben Pearson** on **020 8496 3000** www.walthamforest.gov.uk

8 Advertising

Replacement waste facility at Edmonton

North London - it's time to have your say. Tell us what you think between 18 May and 30 June 2015.

Further details for the replacement of the existing Energy from Waste plant by 2025 at the Edmonton EcoPark in Enfield have now been unveiled as part of the North London Heat and Power Project.

We consulted on our outline proposals from 28 November 2014 to 30 January 2015. Now we want to hear your views on our more detailed proposals.

Come to our exhibitions to find out about....

- What the project could look like
- Where it will be located
- Why it is needed
- How the facility will work

Who are we?

North London Waste Authority arranges the disposal of waste collected by the seven London boroughs of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey, Islington and Waltham Forest. We promote waste minimisation and recycling.

The Edmonton EcoPark is where your household waste left over after recycling will be turned into heat and power.

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Come to our exhibitions

We want to hear your feedback on these proposals. Visit our exhibitions to learn about the project.

Lee Valley Athletics Centre
61 Meridian Way, N9 0AR
Wed 3 June 2015, 12pm – 6pm
Fri 12 June 2015, 5pm – 9pm

Oasis Academy Hadley
South Street, Enfield, EN3 4PX
Fri 5 June 2015, 5pm – 9pm
Sat 13 June 2015, 10am – 4pm

The Artzone
Edmonton Green Shopping Centre, NR9 0BU
Sat 6 June 2015, 12pm – 6pm
Tue 9 June 2015, 4pm – 9pm

Parkside Primary School
82 Peel Close, Chingford, E4 6XQ
Wed 10 June 2015, 4pm – 8pm

Neighbourhood Resource Centre, 177 Park Lane, Northumberland Park, N17 0HJ
Thu 11 June 2015, 4pm – 8pm

How can I find out more?

Visit: www.northlondonheatandpower.london
Call: 020 8489 3940
Twitter: @NLHPP
Facebook: North London Heat and Power Project



WALTHAM FOREST
Get Together

GET TOGETHER TO ENJOY ANOTHER BRILLIANT YEAR IN WALTHAM FOREST **TICKETED EVENT**

Another Brilliant Comedy Night

Friday 19 June 2015, 7.30pm-11.30pm

Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Forest Road
Walthamstow, E17 4JD

Tickets £12.50

Join us for another high-energy night of comedy and music, hosted by Kat B. Bringing you must see acts all under the same roof, featuring Slim, Aurie Styla, Axel Blake, Babatunde, El Crisis, Kae Kurd, Kevin J, Lara Lee aka FLOetic Lara, and Thanya Moore.

Don't miss out, book your ticket today by visiting www.anotherbrilliantcomedynight.eventbrite.co.uk

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Chingford



Chingford Morris Men are encouraging residents to give Morris dancing a try. You can also book the group to dance at a variety of events

Be there with bells on!

■ **Chingford Morris Men want local people to give Morris dancing a try**

■ **Women and children are also welcome to join in the fun**

With the recent good weather and bank holiday weekends to enjoy, many of us might have escaped the city to partake in that most English of traditions – a walk in the countryside followed by a good old fashioned ploughman's pub lunch.

One traditional pursuit that most Londoners won't have tried recently, however, is Morris dancing. Good news then that Waltham Forest's very own Chingford Morris Men is encouraging the rest of us to reconnect with a form of English folk dance first recorded in the 15th century. Waltham Forest News caught up with members of the group to find out more.

Chingford Morris Men has its origins in 1961, when local man Peter Boyce, a teacher at Chingford High School, started to teach Morris dancing to his first year pupils. Some of the boys had also previously attended Chingford Church of England Primary School, where they were taught a Morris dance by their teacher, Mrs Murray. The group was soon expanded to include other local people in 1962, and the Chingford Morris Men was born.

Helen Wilson, Chingford Morris Men's 'Bagman', told Waltham Forest News: "Geoff Hughes, one of the original 'Chingford boys', created the Chingford tradition of dances which are exclusively danced by Chingford Morris Men. The current Squire of Chingford Morris Men, Adrian Hilton, has also been a member of the side for 43 years, so I'm glad to say that we are still very much connected to our founder members.

She added: "When we celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2012, a number of our past members came to join in the celebrations, including Peter Boyce and Geoff Hughes."

Morris dance is a form of English folk dance and is usually accompanied by music. It is based on rhythmic stepping and choreographed patterns, performed by a group of dancers.

The dancers usually wear bells on their shins or feet, and may also use implements such as sticks, swords or handkerchiefs. Today, there are six predominant styles of Morris Dancing. Each is named either after the region of origin, or the implements used in the dance. They

are: Cotswold, North West, Border, Sword Dancing, Rapper and Molly dancing.

Chingford Morris Men mostly dance their own 'Chingford Tradition' dances, including 'The Original Chingford Stick dance' and their newest dance 'Golden Glory' which was written by Geoff Hughes to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the side.

Unlike some Morris sides, Chingford Morris Men also boast a women's section, playfully referred to as 'The Chingford Men in skirts'.

Helen explained: "Women started dancing with Chingford Morris Men around 20 years ago, when the partners of some of the men in the side were interested in learning dances themselves, rather than just spectating. Whereas their male counterparts mainly dance in the Cotswold tradition, the ladies' dances come from the North West Morris tradition."

The Chingford Morris Men meet at 8pm every Monday at Friday Hall (56 Friday Hill East, E4 6JT) and a junior practice session also takes place on the third Sunday of every month.

Complete beginners can attend

the regular practice nights, but are advised to get in touch first to check where the side are dancing that night. There is no charge to join Chingford Morris Men, as the majority of expenses are covered via fundraising and private bookings.

Helen said: "We have 21 regular members, who are either musicians or dancers, or in some cases both. Our members' ages range from nine years old to 75, but we have no minimum or maximum age to join. I'd encourage anyone to come along to a practice session and see how much fun people of all ages have."

She added: "Morris dancing is an entertaining way of keeping fit, enjoying the outdoors and keeping tradition alive and kicking. We welcome new members to dance or to join the band of musicians, dancers need no experience."

More info

For more information visit www.filck.co.uk/chingford, email enquiries@chingfordmorris.org.uk or phone Helen Wilson on 01992 712 765.

In brief

Hire Friday Hall

Residents looking for a venue to host meetings for local clubs and societies are being encouraged to think about hiring Chingford's Friday Hall. Friday Hall (56 Friday Hill, E4 6JT) is a community-run hall, where many existing local clubs meet. You can take part in anything from art and Subbuteo clubs to piano, amateur radio and Slimming World groups. New members are always welcome at all the groups, or why not start your own new club?

• For more information phone Tom Dawson on 020 8967 7621.

Highams Park Shop Local Day

Residents are being encouraged to support their local independent retailers at the Highams Park Shop Local Day on Saturday 6 June. The event, which is organised by The Highams Park Planning Group, takes place between 11am and 3pm. Visitors can enjoy lots of special offers, food tasting and family-friendly activities. Younger residents will have fun with face painting, a bouncy castle and a merry-go-round, while adults can enjoy free live music or afternoon tea at The Royal Oak. The event will take place around the shopping centre, so cross the railway line from Winchester Road and Larkshall Road on one side, to The Avenue and Hale End Road on the other and see the array of shops that Highams Park offers.

• For more information visit www.facebook.com and search 'Highams Park Shop Local Day'. Free internet access is available at all Waltham Forest Libraries.

Chingford Village Festival

The ever-popular Chingford Village Festival will celebrate its 21st anniversary this June, and festival organiser Irene Bull is calling on local people to get involved in the fun. The Festival takes place at The Green, Chingford Assembly Hall, Mornington Hall, St Peter and St Paul's Church, Chingford Methodist Church and the United Services Club between 12 and 6pm on Saturday 13 June. The fun-packed day will include live music, children's entertainment, a craft fair, performances by community groups, fun fair rides, food and much more. Irene would like to hear from anyone who would be interested in running a food stall or pop up restaurant, bands and choirs who would like to perform and stallholders offering children's products or beauty services.

• For more information phone Irene on 020 8559 4500 or email irenebull@hotmail.co.uk.

Sports and fitness

Iyengar Yoga at Cann Hall

Thursdays, 6.30–7.30pm

Cann Hall Baptist Church Hall, Cann Hall Road, E11 3HY

A traditional class that strengthens the body and relaxes the mind. Open to all levels. Drop in classes, £7 or £5 for concessions. Taught by Laura Caro with over 20 years of experience. **For more information email** yoga_cannhallroad@hotmail.co.uk.

Capoeira Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays, 6.15–7.30pm

Walthamstow Leisure Centre, 243

Markhouse Road, E17 8RN

Capoeira is a unique Brazilian art-form that combines elements of martial arts, dance, music and acrobatics. Training capoeira involves all muscle groups and exercises the whole body and mind. Suitable for all ages, backgrounds and abilities and a fantastic activity for children. First class free. £9 drop-in per class. All levels welcome. Discount for children and students. **For more information phone** 07462 745 158, **email** sacimaculecapoeira@gmail.com or visit www.sacimacule.com.

Women's Morris Dancing for Beginners

Wednesdays, 8–10pm

St Gabriel's Family Centre back hall, Havant Road, E17 3JF

Blackhorse and Standard Women's Morris dancers invite you to join our established Morris Dancing group. A fun and friendly way of keeping fit while learning traditional English Morris Dancing. No experience necessary, just come along to our weekly practice and have a go. We are also looking for musicians to join our Morris Band. First term free to new members. **For more information phone** 020 8527 2926 or visit www.blackhorseandstandard.org.uk.

Disco Dance Fitness Classes for Women

Thursdays, 10–10.50am

Winchester Road Methodist Church, Winchester Road, E4 9JP

Learn some fun dance moves to music from the 1960s, 70s and 80s, while improving posture, confidence and co-ordination. Beginners Course aimed at women aged 40 and over. **For more information email** sunrise.dance@yahoo.co.uk.



Free Lawn Green Bowling Coaching

Saturdays until August, 10.15am–12.30pm

Silverthorn Bowls Club, Ropers Avenue Ground, E4 9EJ

The club invites local people to come and enjoy the sport of Lawn Green Bowls. Junior sessions for 11 to 16 years, no upper age limit for adults. Mums, dads, grandmas and granddads; make it a family affair. We assure you of a warm welcome and the opportunity to make new friends. We have a warm, friendly club house and free refreshments on the day. No obligation to join. Please wear flat shoes only. **To book a place phone June on 020 8531 6619, or just turn up on the day wearing flat shoes.**

Zumba fitness with Michelle

Mondays, 7.30pm

The Vestry Hall, The Green, E4 7ER

Wednesdays, 1pm

St Edmunds Church Hall, 216 Chingford Mount Rd, E4 8JL

Thursdays, 8pm

Chingford Congregational Church, 161 Chingford Mount Road, E4 8LT

Zumba fitness classes with Michelle. All welcome, and all classes are pay as you go at £5 per class or £20 for 5 classes. **For more information phone Michelle on 07869 128 186.**

Tai Chi for Health and Relaxation

Fridays, 2.45–4.45pm

Community Room, Lea Bridge Library, Lea Bridge Road, E10 7HU

A relaxed 1.5 hour weekly class focusing on improving health and relaxation. Please arrive promptly as doors shut at 3pm. Beginners welcome. Class costs just £5 per week. **To book a place, telephone Danni on 020 7263 0996.**

Gentle Yoga

Mondays, 6–7pm

The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA

A gentle yoga class; great for beginners, people with health issues, newbies or anyone just wanting a nice small, friendly relaxing yoga class. We learn simple physical postures that improve posture and general physical and mental well-being, then have a calming relaxation to finish. Term time only. £10 drop in or £9 with a loyalty card. **For more information, and to book, email** josettayoga@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07554 440 499.

Ashtanga Yoga

Fridays, 9.45–11.15am

Quaker Meeting House, Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Fast flowing dynamic yoga class for spiritual and physical wellbeing. Great for cleansing, increasing fitness, flexibility and balance, with a calming relaxation to finish. Please bring your own mat. Term time only. £12 drop in or £11 with a loyalty card. **For more information, and to book, email** josettayoga@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07554 440 499.

Karate Lessons in Chingford

Mondays, 5pm

Parkside Primary School, Wellington Avenue, E4 6RE

Fridays, 5pm

New Road Methodist Church Hall, New Road, E4 9EU

For more information phone Robert on 07951 309 914, visit www.rodinkarateclub.co.uk or email robertfresco@talktalk.net.

Donation Yoga for all bodies

Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings

United Reformed Church, 58 Orford Road, E18 9QL

Learn how to move with the breath to loosen up stiffness, develop strength, good postural alignment and ways to balance the hormones to maximise health and vitality. Come and join Sarah, registered Yoga Alliance teacher, at these friendly local classes. **For more information email enquiries@yoyoga.co.uk, visit www.yoyoga.co.uk or phone or text Sarah on 07815 120 792.**

Lea Valley Friends Walking Group

Every Saturday and Sunday, times vary

Join us for short walks of four miles or less every weekend. The first three walks are free of charge to new members. We walk canals, tow paths, through London and in the Countryside. **For details of all walks, and to ask for a free programme, visit www.leavalleyfriends.org.uk, email lvwalkers2001@hotmail.com or phone 020 8529 1602.**

General Level Pilates in Leyton

Thursdays, 7–8pm

Leyton Parish Church Hall, Lindley Road, E10 5PY

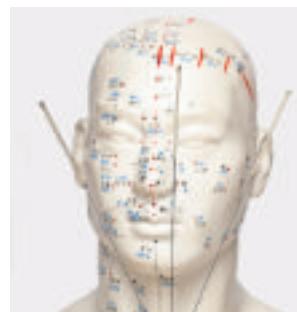
Drop in Pilates for all. Classes cost £10 and mats and small equipment are provided. Alison, the teacher, is highly qualified and experienced and has been teaching for 15 years. Pilates can improve your strength, flexibility, balance, coordination, bone density, reduce pain and encourage relaxation. **For more information, email alison.bray@gmail.com or visit www.abpilateslondon.com.**

Waltham Forest Reiki Project

Tuesday 2 June, 7–9pm

18A Orford Road, E17 9LN

Reiki is a form of healing that works with the life force energy that flows through all living things. When one's energy is free flowing without blocks one is in balance both physical and emotionally. This is a non-profit project and our aim is to bring healing to the masses. Donations go towards room hire and tea/coffee. Have an open mind, come along and see what we can do for you. **For more information, email walthamforestreikiproject@gmail.com or phone 07940 260 558.**



Clubs and community

Echo17 Events: Board Games Evening

Last Monday of every month, 6.30–11pm The William Morris Pub, 807 Forest Road, E17 4JD

On the last Monday of every month Echo17 Events will be hosting a table top games evening at the William Morris. It's informal and fun! Everything from Settlers of Catan and Carcassonne to cards, mah jong and backgammon. No booking required, £2.50 contribution. **For more information visit www.echo17events.co.uk.**

Silverthorn Dog Training Club

Thursdays, 7–10pm

St Edmund's Church, Larkswood Road, E4 9DS

SDTC was established in 1978 as an obedience club and is Kennel Club registered.

We have very experienced instructors who are there to help and give advice whenever needed. Our classes range from puppy through to advanced level working through the Kennel Club Good Citizen Scheme. We also work with behavioural issues. **For further information please phone Debbie on 07702 891 993, email enquiries@silverthorndtc.com or visit www.silverthorndtc.com.**

Chingford Village Festival

Saturday 13 June, 12–6pm

Various venues around Chingford

21st anniversary edition of community event which attracts around 20,000 people. Featuring a craft fair, live music, displays by community groups, kid's entertainment, fun fair rides, food stalls and much more. **For more information phone 020 8559 4550 or email irenebull@hotmail.co.uk.**

Prayer and health

Tuesday 26 May, 7.30–8.30pm

Chingford Assembly Hall, The Green, Station Road, E4 7EN

Free admission to a talk titled "Finding God" given by international speaker Michelle Nanouche, sponsored by Chingford Christian Science Church, 82 Woodland Road, E4 7EU.

For more information telephone 020 8524 0754, visit www.cschingford.org.uk or email admin@cschingford.org.uk.

Noor Ul Islam Summer Fete

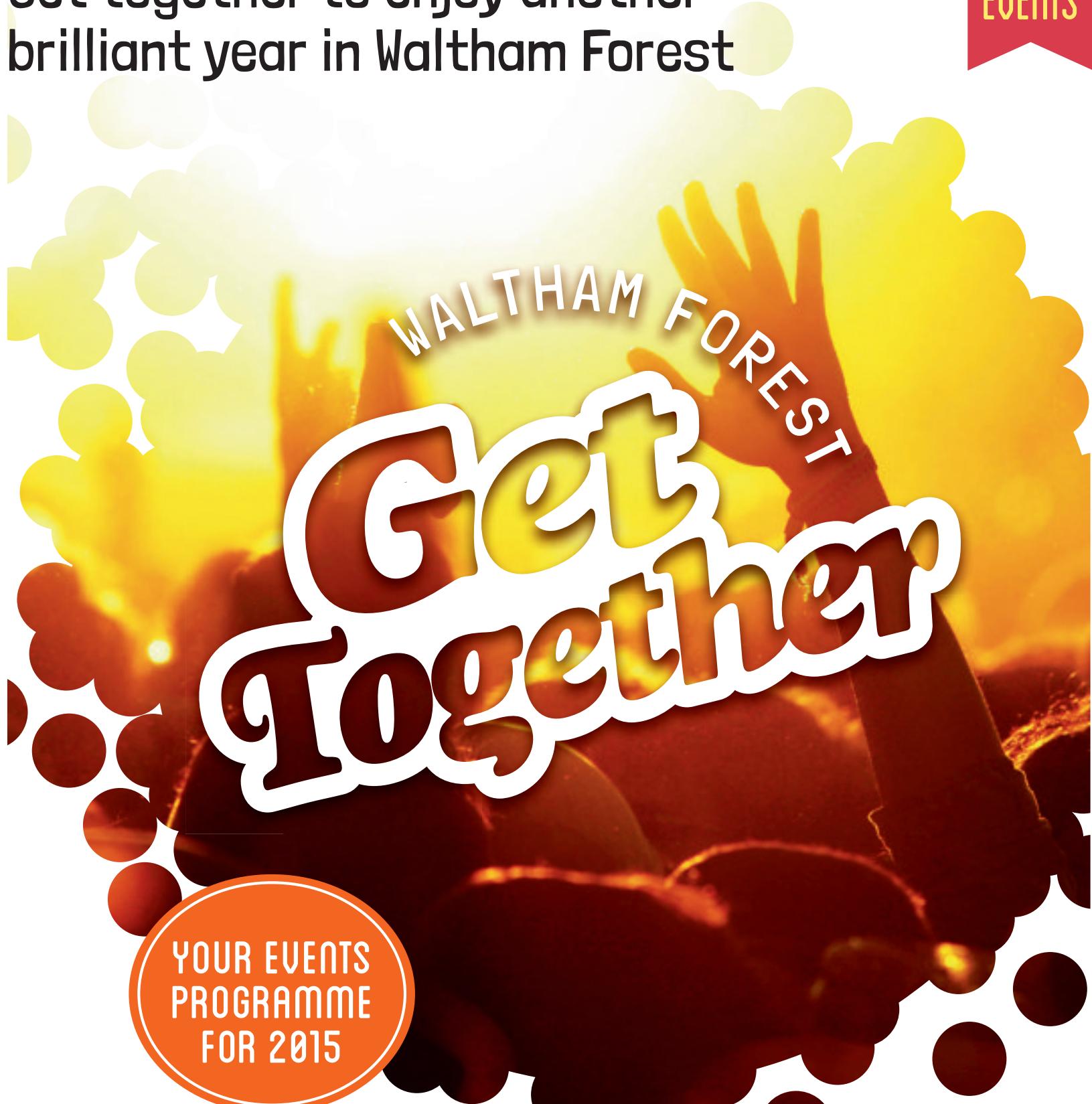
Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 June, 11.30am–6.30pm

Leyton Sports Ground, Crawley Road, E10 6PY

Come along for two days of fun fair rides, stalls and delicious foods at the Noor Ul Islam 11th annual summer fete. Entry costs £2 per person, per day. **For more information phone 020 8558 0786, visit www.noorulislam.org.uk or email enquiries@noorulislam.org.uk.**

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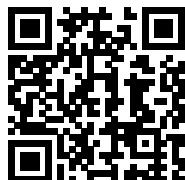
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Let's Get Together for some great events

Dear Resident

It's time to Get Together again and for 2015 we have another wonderful array of free entertainment planned for you and your family.



The 2015 programme includes a selection of family fun days, festivals and celebrations, live music events, art activities and a carnival. And, as it comes to the capital for the very first time, we are delighted to be hosting the Grillstock Festival on Chestnuts Field.

Get set for another fantastic Get Together events programme - there really is something for everyone!

Chris Robbins
Leader of Waltham Forest Council

Another Brilliant Comedy Night

19 June 2015, 7.30pm-11.30pm

**Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow
E17 4JD**

Tickets £12.50

We are delighted to announce that we will be hosting another high energy night of comedy and music this June, as well as our annual Black History Comedy Night later in the year in October.

Once again we have a fantastic line-up of highly sought after acts featuring Kat B (host), Slim, Aurie Styla, Axel Blake, Babatunde, El Crisis, Kae Kurd, Kevin J, Lara Lee aka FLOetic Lara, and Thanyia Moore. Book your tickets at www.anotherbrilliantcomedynight.eventbrite.co.uk

Mid-Summer Festival

Sunday 21 June, 1pm-6pm

Leyton Jubilee Park, Seymour Road,

Leyton E10 7BL. Free event

After a very successful Mid-Summer Festival in 2014, we are ready to celebrate again at this year's Mid-Summer Festival in Leyton Jubilee Park with fun for all the family.

Join us for an eclectic range of eastern European music, delicious food and drink plus a variety of family friendly activities, arts, and entertainment for all ages. Entertainment line up includes **Tanec Dance Group, DJ Penny Metal, Elena Dana, Maspindzeli** plus many more.

Visit our beautifully furnished Dacha and garden to hear readings, stories and songs charting eastern European history through the 20th Century. **Le Tour De Waltham Forest** will be starting and finishing at the Mid-Summer Festival this year. Join us to celebrate the Mini-Holland programme which aims to improve the borough's travel network and encourage more people to walk and cycle.



Leyton Big Weekender

Saturday 4 July, 1pm-6pm

Sunday 5 July, 1pm-7pm

Leyton Cricket Ground, Crawley Road

Leyton E10 6RJ

Free event

The fantastic Leyton Big Weekender returns with a two day family festival at Leyton Cricket Ground.

Saturday's family fun day features a wide range of activities including sports taster sessions, William Morris Gallery craft workshop, Mini Holland activities, crazy golf, climbing wall, pedal karts, trampolines, bouncy castle and much more.

On Sunday the magnificent procession of costumes, music and dance of the Waltham Forest Caribbean Carnival leaves Leyton Cricket Ground at 1pm and arrives back at approximately 2.30pm. We'll then be enjoying live music from one of Britain's best loved reggae bands **Aswad** and top soul band **The Real Thing** plus Island Waves DJ, Scrappy, Camara, Amy Young and Cerebro Dance Troupe.

Further details about each day will be available from www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together in due course.

WALTHAMSTOW GARDEN PARTY



**Walthamstow
Garden Party**

Saturday 18 July

12noon-9.30pm

Sunday 19 July, 12noon-8pm

Lloyd Park (behind William Morris Gallery)

Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 5JW

Free event

Join us for a packed weekend of music and theatre, arts, crafts, food, drink, stalls, workshops and plenty of family-friendly activity in Walthamstow's beautiful Lloyd Park.

Be entertained by **Femi Kuti and The Positive Force Band, LA-33, Ghostpoet, The Skatalites, Sons of Kemet, Nozinja and Boy Blue Entertainment**. Visit the Useful and Beautiful Craft Marquee, E17 Art Trail, William Morris Gallery, Real Food Festival, E17 Designers Market and much more.

Organised in conjunction with Barbican and Create London to celebrate Walthamstow's creative and cultural communities. www.walthamstowgardenparty.com

www.walthamforest.

Waltham Forest Mela



Sunday 2 August, 1pm-6pm
Chestnuts Field, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road E17 4JF

Free event

The ever popular Waltham Forest Mela is back, celebrating the best of Asian culture with music, dance, fun activities for all the family and a variety of tantalising food and drink on Chestnuts Field. Your host **Faraz Khan** will introduce you to a fab line up of acts including **Ameer Shaukat Ali, Navin Kundra, Alaap, Epika Dance Troupe, SK1, 515 Crew and Dhol Enforcement Agency** Instrumental stage performance and walkabout.



Chingford Big Weekender

Saturday 15 August, 1pm-8pm
Sunday 16 August, 1pm-6pm
Ridgeway Park, Old Church Road, E4 6RS
Free event. Capacity has been increased this year but please arrive early to avoid disappointment.

The legendary Chingford Big Weekender returns to Ridgeway Park boasting a line-up of internationally renowned artists including **ABC, Boney M, Mica Paris and Gwen Dickey**. We also welcome live entertainment from Waltham Forest based artists **Camara Fearon** and **Tina T, DJ Ernie** plus a performance from Michael Jackson tribute act **Mikki Jay**.

There's something for all the family to enjoy right throughout the weekend – take your pick from bouncy castles, peddle carts, climbing walls and more. There will also be wide variety of food and drink on sale.

Grillstock London

**Saturday 5 September
11am-10.30pm**

Sunday 6 September, 11am-6pm
Chestnuts Field, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Walthamstow E17 4JF

Ticketed event – All 16,000 free resident tickets have now been allocated. Tickets may be purchased from the Grillstock ticket website www.grillstock.co.uk/london-festival

Grillstock, the biggest music and BBQ festival outside the US is coming to Walthamstow for a weekend of meat, music and mayhem. Expect smouldering hot US style low 'n' slow BBQs, chilli-pepper and hot-dog eating competitions. Interact with the teams, taste the food and experience their passion for authentic barbecue.

Saturday's musical line up is headlined by **The Fun Lovin' Criminals** with **Cuban Brothers, DJ Yoda, Grandmaster Flash**. Sunday boasts **Razorlight, Hayseed Dixie and Heymoonshaker** plus many more acts to be announced for both days.



Leytonstone Big Weekender

Saturday 12 September, 1pm-5pm
Cathall Green, E11 4DD

Sunday 13 September, 1pm-6pm
Church Lane, E11 1HG

Free event

Keep the date free for The Leytonstone Big Weekender packed full of food and drink, arts, culture and live entertainment.

Sunday's annual Car Free Day music stage presents top ska band **The Selecter, DJ Kevin Moorish, Rags Rudi, Fruitful Earth, President Lincoln, Madness Tribute band 'One Step Behind'** plus more!

Sample the foods of the best artisans and local food producers from Waltham Forest and the across London at the family friendly Food Festival.

Bonfire Night Fireworks

Wednesday 5 November, 7pm-9pm

Fireworks display at 8pm
Chestnuts Field, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, E17 4JF

Watch a dazzling fireworks display choreographed to a musical backdrop. Roll up, roll up for the funfair or sample the great selection of food and drinks on offer.



MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Walthamstow Town Square

Big Screen Events

Walthamstow Town Square, E17

Royal Opera House Screenings

La Bohème

Wednesday 10 June 7pm

Don Giovanni

Friday 3 July 7pm

Romeo & Juliet

Tuesday 22 September 7.30pm

Wimbledon

29 June to 12 July

From 1pm each day

Eid Celebration

Thursday 23 July

Walthamstow Assembly Hall

Forest Road E17

Black History Comedy Night

Ticketed event

Friday 30 October

Walthamstow Assembly Hall

Forest Road E17

Diwali Celebration

Friday 27 November

Walthamstow Assembly Hall

Forest Road E17

Senior Citizens' Christmas

Lunches

9 December – Leyton

10 December – Walthamstow

11 December – Chingford

Coronation Gardens Christmas Fayre

12-13 December, 1pm-6pm

Coronation Gardens, Leyton

As well as a wonderful programme of events for our children and young people to enjoy through the summer and beyond, we are lucky in Waltham Forest to have lovely parks, libraries, leisure centres and interesting places to visit:

Parks

Waltham Forest has many parks and open spaces.

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/parks

Libraries

There's so much to do in Waltham Forest libraries. As well as offering books and free internet access, there are events for all ages.

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/libraries

Leisure Centres

You'll find the sport that's right for you at Waltham Forest Leisure Centres.

www.better.org.uk/walthamforest

The William Morris Gallery

The award-winning William Morris Gallery provides a year round programme of exhibitions, events and activities for all ages and interests.

www.wmgallery.org.uk

Vestry House Museum

Discover your local history and take part in an exciting programme of family activities at the Vestry House Museum.

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/vhm

Summer Daze

Summer activities for children, young people and families. Look out for more information in June.

Get fit for free in Our Parks

Choose your class, register and join in www.ourparks.org.uk/borough/waltham-forest

Still want more?

Check the Council's What's On calendar for the latest events across the borough

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/whats-on.

For more information visit

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together
or call 020 8496 3000

Dates may be subject to change or cancellation, visit

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together for up-to-date event information.

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/get-together

Adults with Dyslexia Meet-up

Last Tuesday of the month, 6.30–8.30pm

The Mill, 7–11 Coppermill Lane, E17 7HA
Free group run by Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association for adults with dyslexia to share experiences and learn different ways to cope with having dyslexia. Practical information, tips, resources and creative solutions. Visit www.wfda.org.uk to find out more information.

Songs of Praise

Sunday 21 June, 5.30pm

Central Baptist Church, 101 Orford Road, E17 9QR
Do you love to sing? Join us at our Songs of Praise service as we give thanks to God. All Welcome – bring your friends! Refreshments served afterwards. For more information phone 020 8503 7577 or email Central101@btconnect.com.

Culture and crafts

Sing at The WO

Every Monday, 7.30–9pm

The Warrant Officer, 318 Higham Hill Road, E17 5RG
Join our community choir at The Warrant Officer pub. Absolutely no auditions, all abilities welcome. Raise your voice and lift your spirits as part of an adult choir where you call the tunes. Inclusive, informal and fun. First 'taster' session is free, then £6 per session in advance or £7 pay-as-you-go. For more information email singattheWO@gmail.com or phone Laura on 07813 686 980, or just come along.

The Stones Throw Market

Saturday 6 June, 2–6pm

St Johns Church Hall, E11 1HH
A local monthly artisan and retro market featuring lots of interesting stalls including designs by Gail's Windy Day, jewellery by Fused & Fired and retro prints by Flock & Roll. Also on offer is the award-winning locally sourced Epping honey, plants, retro homeware and vintage clothes plus afternoon tea and homemade cakes. We have new stalls every month. A great free event for the whole community. For more information email stonesthrowmarket@yahoo.co.uk or follow on twitter @stonesthrowe11.

Waltham Forest Community Choir

Every Monday (term time only), 7.30–9.30pm

St Mary's Church, Church End, E17 9RJ
We are a self-funded community choir open to anyone living or working in Waltham Forest. Previous singing or musical experience is not required.

We believe that singing should be accessible to anyone and we do not audition prospective members. Our musical repertoire is diverse, and includes classical, traditional, folk and popular styles. £50 per term. For more information visit www.singwithus.net. For membership enquiries email members@singwithus.net, visit www.facebook.com/walthamforestcommunitychoir or phone 07954 740 745.

E17 Guitar Club

Saturdays, 12noon

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH
Guitar playing fun for adults of all abilities. Multi-skill groups, beginners welcome. Pay £44 for a half term of five, 40 minute lessons. Drop-in £10. For more information phone Christian Karlsson on 07958 471 083 or visit www.e17guitar.com.

E17 Swedish language course

Monday and Wednesday evenings, times tbc

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH
Learn Swedish in these beginners/intermediate classes. Relaxed and fun for adults. Pay £60 for a half term of six, 60 minute lessons in a small group. Daytime lessons also available. For more information phone Christian Karlsson on 07958 471 083, email chris@e17swedish.com or visit www.e17swedish.com.

B.I.G. Gospel Choir

Saturdays, 4.30–6pm

All Saints Church, Church Avenue, Highams Park, E4 9QD
Come and join the friendly Waltham Forest section of The B.I.G. Choir, finalists of Songs of Praise Gospel Choir of the Year and part of the first Gospel Proms. For more information visit bigchoir.co.uk.

National Jazz Archive Concert – Peggy, Duke and Benny

Friday 29 May, 7.30pm (doors 6.30pm)
Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road, E4 7EN

This concert brings together the songs of Peggy Lee and the music of Duke Ellington performed in the style of the Benny Goodman Quartet. This fundraising concert for the National Jazz Archive stars Georgina Jackson on vocals and trumpet (from BBC Radio 2 and Ronnie Scott's), and Pete Long on clarinet and reeds (from 'Echoes of Ellington', Ronnie Scott's and the Goodman Carnegie Hall Concert). Backing is by Trevor Brown on piano, Anthony Kerr on vibes, Dave Chamberlain on bass and Richard Pite on drums. Tickets cost £17. To book, phone 020 8502 4701 or visit www.wegottickets.com/event/312633.

Ian House Electronic Keyboard Concert

Wednesday 10 June, 7.50pm (doors 7.15pm)

Wanstead Library, Spratt Hall Road, E11 2RQ
Come along and listen to the talented Ian House playing a variety of music from shows old and new, classical to Big Band. The concert is enhanced by way of projection equipment purchased from Grants from the London North East Community Foundation and Shell. There are refreshments and raffle in the interval. Entrance costs £7 on the door for adults and £1 for children under 16. For more information phone Derek on 020 8530 3717 or visit www.organfax.co.uk/clubs/eastlondon.html.

Ye Olde Rose and Crown Open Mic

Wednesday 3 June, starts 7.30pm

Ye Olde Rose and Crown, 55 Hoe Street, E17 4SA
On the first Wednesday of the month the Mirror Mic Team host an open mic night at The Rose and Crown. This popular event attracts performers of all descriptions from all over. Come and cheer on some raw London talent at this magnificent theatre pub.
For more information, email andy@mirror-mic.com or phone 07940 260 558.

Strung Out violin groups for adults (intermediate)

Thursday evenings, 7pm–8pm

Studio Office, Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU
Strung Out is a fun violin group for adults run by professional musician Alison Jones who has over 30 years of performing internationally. There are currently places available for the intermediate class which is Grades 4–6 level. If you wish to play with like-minded people in a relaxed atmosphere, please contact us! All styles of music welcomed from classical to traditional. Fun is the key ingredient! For more information, and to reserve a place, email strungout@

shapeshifter-productions.com,
phone 020 7018 2927 or visit www.shapeshifter-productions.com.

Beginners Banjo Classes for Adults

Mondays from 8 June, 6.30pm

Studio Office, Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU
Fancy learning a new instrument? Professional musician, Dick Smith, teaches five-string banjo classes in three finger bluegrass style picking. Start from scratch and develop your skills in a relaxed and fun environment. £12 per class when paid in advance for the term. Book now for the next seven week course – limited availability. For more information phone 07745 052 525, visit www.banjosmith.co.uk or email info.banjosmith@gmail.com.

Beginners Ukulele for Adults

Saturdays from 6 June, 12.30pm

Studio Office, Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU
Fancy learning a new instrument? Try the ukulele with an experienced professional musician in a fun and relaxed environment. Instruments not provided. £10 per class when paid in advance for the term. Book now for the next seven week course – limited availability. For more information phone 07745 052 525, visit www.banjosmith.co.uk or email info.banjosmith@gmail.com.

information phone Fiona on 07811 460 282, email fiona.bongalong@gmail.com or follow on twitter @bongalongfiona.

E17 Junior Guitar Club

Saturdays, different levels and times

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH
Guitar playing fun for children of all abilities, age 6 and over. Pay £44 for a half-term of five, 30 minute lessons. Different levels and times. For more information phone Christian Karlsson on 07958 471 083 or visit www.e17guitar.com.

Community Ward Forums

Lea Bridge

Wednesday 3 June, 6.30–8pm

Lea Bridge Library, 382 Lea Bridge Road, E10 7HU

Council Meetings

Tuesday 2 June

Provisional Planning Committee, 7pm

Wednesday 3 June

Provisional Health Scrutiny Committee

All meetings are held at Waltham Forest Town Hall and start at 7.30pm, unless stated otherwise. Dates and times are subject to change.



Children and young people

Bongalong Early Risers

Saturdays, 8.30am

St Mary's Welcome Centre, 8 Church End, E17 9RJ

Bongalong Early Risers is for children under five and their carers. Enjoy music, movement and make believe with instruments and a story. Drop in, term time only. £6 per child or £10 for two. For more to reserve a place, email info.bongalong@gmail.com

Tell us what's on

Email your event details to:

walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk

Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

The deadline for 22 June edition is Friday 5 June

Please note inclusion cannot be guaranteed, due to the high volume of requests received.

Please send your listing requests in the body of an email, formatted as shown on these pages.

Events

Exhibition: The War Hospital – Stories from Whipps Cross

Until Thursday 28 May

Walthamstow Library, High Street, E17 7JN

Discover Whipps Cross University Hospital's history of helping wounded soldiers from across the empire during the war and local experiences of the conflict. Supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund and delivered in partnership with Eastside Community Heritage and local residents. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: Yinka Shonibare MBE: The William Morris Gallery Family Album

Until Sunday 7 June

William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 4PP

A new photographic exhibition by British-Nigerian artist Yinka Shonibare. Inspired by his visits to the Gallery, Shonibare worked with curators to recreate three historic photographs from the archive. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: Lucille Junkere – All Blues

Until Sunday 14 June

William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 4PP

The result of textile artist Lucille Junkere's residency at the Gallery, All Blues explores the complex history of indigo dye. On display is a sample book documenting Junkere's artistic journey into this culturally significant colour. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: News of the War

Until Tuesday 30 June

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH

Follow the Great War through the pages of local newspapers, in this changing display curated by Waltham Forest Local Studies Library. More source material, e.g. rolls of honour, available on appointment. **Free event, no booking required.**

Holiday Fun for Everyone

Wednesday 27 May, 10.30am–3pm

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH

Join Waltham Forest's Family Learning Team to enjoy a lively range of arts and crafts activities linked to the museum displays. **Free event, no booking required.**

Imagine... John Lennon

Wednesday 27 May, 2–3pm

Hale End Library, Castle Avenue, Highams Park, E4 9QD
'John' recreates the 1960s through drama activities and music as he tells you about his family and travels, love of music and his years with The Beatles. Suitable for ages 7–11. **Free event, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com to reserve your place or book at a library.**

Tea Dances with Mr Wonderful

Wednesday 27 May and Wednesday 24 June, 1–4pm

Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road, E4 7EN

Entry £5, no booking required.

Tuesday 2 June, 1–4pm

Leyton Great Hall, Adelaide Road, E10 5NN

Entry £5, no booking required.

The Rainbow Fish and Where the Wild Things Are

Thursday 28 May, 2–3pm

Leyton Library, High Road Leyton, E10 5QH

Meet the rainbow fish and the wise octopus in this magical tale of friendship and sharing. Then journey with Max to a strange land of mysterious monsters to join in the wild rumpus! Stories and drama for ages 5–7. **Free event, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com to reserve your place or book at a library.**

Celebrating Heritage: Poetry Workshops

Intergenerational workshop (all ages welcome)

Thursday 28 May, 2–3.30pm

North Chingford Library, The Green, E4 7EN

Family workshop

Friday 29 May, 2–3.30pm

Wood Street Library, Forest Road, E17 4AA

Adults' workshop

Thursday 4 June, 6.45–8.30pm

Leyton Library, High Road Leyton, E10 5QH

Join local artist and poet, Hassan Vawda, for a series of captivating poetry workshops exploring the heritage stories of Walthamstow's Pakistani settlers. **Free event, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com to reserve your place or book at a library.**

Timothy Williams: 'Honest Folk of Guadeloupe' and more

Thursday 28 May, 7–8pm

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH

Timothy Williams comes home to Walthamstow. Join him to discuss his novels Another Sun and Honest Folk of Guadeloupe and their themes of colonialism, racial conflict and gender issues, influenced by 30 years spent living in the French Caribbean. **Free event, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com to reserve your place or book at a library.**

The Gruffalo

Friday 29 May, 3–4pm

Higham Hill Library, North Countess Road, E17 5HS

Walk into the deep dark wood, and discover what happens when the quick-thinking mouse comes face to face with an owl, a snake and a hungry gruffalo... Stories and drama for ages 5–7. **Free event, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com to reserve your place or book at a library.**

Happy Birthday Waltham Forest: Great Big Pass the Parcel

Wednesday 27 May, times vary

12noon Starts outside Leyton Library, High Road Leyton, E10 5QH

4pm Starts outside Leytonstone Library, 6 Church Lane, E11 1HG

Friday 29 May, 12pm

Starts outside North Chingford Library, The Green, E4 7EN

To celebrate 50 years of the London boroughs a giant, shiny parcel with a big bow makes its way through your streets. Come and take part in a massive game of pass the parcel where each layer reveals a new funny moment until just the tiniest parcel of all is left. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: The Walthamstow Bunny

Saturday 30 May – Monday 15 June

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH and other venues around Walthamstow

Hop along to meet Walthamstow Bunny, the Art Trail's first long-eared artist! Learn to draw it, make a cut-out or write a story – this year's theme is "Storytelling". Free stickers and fun activities for children. Created by Art Rabbit.

Free event, no booking required.

For more information visit www.walthamstowbunny.org.

Exhibition: If Not Now, When?

Saturday 30 May – Monday 15 June

Walthamstow Library, High Street, E17 7JN

Portraits featuring members of 'Contact The Elderly' a Waltham Forest charity which tackles loneliness and social isolation among people 75 years and over. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: E17 Art Trail at Vestry House Museum

Saturday 30 May – Sunday 30 August

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH

We have a number of very talented artists, displaying a wide range of styles and mediums as part of the E17 Art Trail. Don't miss Della Rees' beautiful 'True Colours' exhibit, which will be in the museum garden. **Free event, no booking required.**

WMG Late: All Blues

Thursday 4 June, 6.30–10.30pm

William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 4PP

Live blues music with Errol Linton, Adam Blake and Lance Rose. Plus artist Lucile Junkere shows how to dye using natural indigo and discusses Adire, dyed cloth produced in south western Nigeria.

Supported using public funding by Arts Council England. **Free event, no booking required.**

Breaking Bad, Drive, In Bruges; these stories show us the dangerous, self-damaging side of human nature. This seminar unpicks the genre and shows how these can be applied to make great new stories. Led by Ian Long, suitable for screen writers and general interest cinema fans. **Tickets £5. Visit [www.walthamstowinternationalfilmfestival/workshops.php](http://walthamstowinternationalfilmfestival.workshops.php) to register.**

Walthamstow International Film Festival

Saturday 7 June, 12–5pm

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH

A selection of short films from local and international professional and amateur filmmakers and students, all of which are five minutes or under and suitable for family viewing. **Free event, no booking required.** For more information visit [www.walthamstowinternationalfilmfestival.com](http://walthamstowinternationalfilmfestival.com).

Royal Opera House Live: La Bohème

Wednesday 10 June, 7.30pm

Walthamstow Town Square, E17 7JN

Enjoy this live open air opera experience about a lost key and an accidental touch of cold hands in the dark – so begins one of the great romances of all opera. John Copley's production brings 19th-century Paris to the stage in vivid detail. **Free event, no booking required.**

Exhibition: Bring Fronts Back

Saturday 6 – Friday 19 June

North Chingford Library, The Green, E4 7EN

Saturday 20 June – Saturday 4 July

Hale End Library, Castle Avenue, Highams Park, E4 9QD

Front gardens have more impact on residential areas than any other elements of the streetscape – the Bring Fronts Back initiative shows how gardens can be both beautiful and environmentally friendly. **Free event, no booking required.**

Another Brilliant Comedy Night

Friday 19 June, 7.30–11.30pm

Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, E17 4JD

Following a sell-out night of comedy at Walthamstow Assembly Hall in October 2014, join us again for another brilliant night of comedy and music hosted by Kat B, featuring Slim, Aurie Styla, Axel Blake, Babatunde, El Crisis, Kae Kurd, Kevin J, Lara Lee aka FLOetic Lara, Thanyia Moore. **Tickets £12.50 including booking fee when booked in advance. To book your tickets visit [www.anotherbrilliantcomedynight.eventbrite.co.uk](http://anotherbrilliantcomedynight.eventbrite.co.uk).**

Workshop: Neo Noir – Writing for screen

Saturday 6 June, 2–5pm

Vestry House Museum, Vestry Road, E17 9NH



Saying thank you to our nurses

- Waltham Forest News celebrates local nursing staff
- Whipps Cross nurses provide care to hundreds of patients every day



Surgical nurses Zuzanna Kusz and Kinga Cholewa help Whipps Cross Hospital patients who undergo operations

It may not be the easiest career choice in the world, and certainly not for the faint-hearted, but few could argue how crucial nurses are to the health and wellbeing of hospital patients up and down the country.

Whipps Cross Hospital (Whipps Cross Road, E11 1NR) employs an army of nurses who work day in, day out to look after thousands of patients as they battle all kinds of illnesses and ailments.

Working such long hours while doing whatever they can to help sick patients on their road to recovery would be too big an ask for many of us, but for Zuzanna Kusz and Kinga Cholewa it's what they've always wanted to do. They are just two of the hundreds of unsung heroes who work at Whipps – and who we are celebrating as part of our feature series on your local hospital.

Both are originally from Poland

and work as surgical nurses at Whipps – meaning they provide care to patients before, during and after surgery.

Zuzanna told Waltham Forest News that a typical day will see her taking care of patients on up to seven beds on her ward – administering drugs, checking vital signs, making people as comfortable as possible and generally acting as the link between patients and doctors.

The 30-year-old told Waltham Forest News: "This job comes with a lot of responsibility because you are taking care of people's lives. You have to be focussed every day, all the time, for every second."

And Zuzanna wouldn't have it any other way. "I've always wanted to be a surgical nurse and look after people so this is a dream come true," she said.

Meanwhile, 28-year-old Kinga didn't decide to become a nurse until she was in her mid-20s. She

said: "When I was 24 I went into nursing and realised how great it was and that it was what I wanted to do in life.

"I'm very happy that I've got the chance to work in this hospital. The atmosphere here is very good and all the staff are very supportive, but it's the patients that really motivate me – when I'm working I do all I can to help them."

Zuzanna added: "One of the biggest motivations for me is when the patients say thank you and you see them get better."

The two surgical nurses are backed by what they described as an "amazing group of healthcare workers", who support nurses at Whipps with their day-to-day duties.

Many of the patients the team helps have illnesses that require them to be extremely sensitive and understanding. Zuzanna said a lot of the male patients that come

through to her ward are suffering from prostate cancer, while many of the female patients she looks after are battling breast cancer. But because they look after patients with a variety of illnesses, nurses have to know about the specialist care needed for many conditions.

Despite facing such challenging circumstances on a regular basis, both credited a "great team atmosphere" at Whipps as helping inspire staff to strive to deliver first-class patient care.

Zuzanna said: "Everybody is a team here. I'm very proud to be here, I feel good here – I think of it as my home."

More info

To learn more about the many services at Whipps Cross Hospital visit www.bartshealth.nhs.uk/whipps-cross. Free internet access is available at all Waltham Forest Libraries.

In brief



Deputy Mayor for London Roger Evans visited Whitefield this month

Healthy Schools

Pupils and staff at Whitefield Schools and Centre (MacDonald Road, E17 4AZ) were celebrating earlier this month after becoming the first school in the borough to be awarded silver status in the Healthy Schools London programme. The scheme, which is sponsored by the Mayor of London, aims to help the capital's children stay healthy and happy as they grow up. It offers three levels of accreditation that schools can achieve – bronze, silver and gold – and they do so by meeting criteria relating to healthy eating, physical activity, emotional health and wellbeing, and personal, social, health and economic education. Cllr Ahsan Khan, Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing, said: "We're committed to doing all we can to give our young people the best start in life – and through the Healthy Schools London programme they are learning how to eat well, remain fit and active and lead healthy lifestyles as they get older. We currently have 51 schools taking part in the programme, and would encourage those who have not yet signed up to find out how it could benefit their pupils."

• For more information visit www.healthyschoolslondon.org.uk.

Asthma pollen warning

With 'pollen season' well and truly upon us, the UK's leading asthma charity is warning that people who suffer from asthma could find their symptoms get worse as temperatures rise and hay fever symptoms attack. Dr Samantha Walker, Director of Policy and Research at Asthma UK, said: "One in 11 people in the UK have asthma and around 80 per cent of them find that pollen makes their symptoms worse. With high pollen counts likely in the coming weeks, this puts them at increased risk of a potentially life threatening asthma attack. If you have hay fever and asthma it is vital you use a steroid nasal spray every day together with non-drowsy antihistamine tablets as needed. You must also keep your reliever inhaler on you at all times too, just in case of an asthma attack."

• If you are concerned about how pollen may affect your asthma, phone the Asthma UK Helpline on 0800 121 62 44 or visit www.asthma.org.uk.

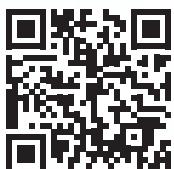


Foster

Our neighbourhood, our community, our children

Meet the Waltham Forest Fostering Team during National Foster Care Fortnight 1 – 14 June 2015

- **Tuesday 2 June** Empire Cinema, Walthamstow 11.00am – 12.30pm,
BOOKING REQUIRED via email
- **Thursday 4 June** Selborn Walk Square 9.30am – 4pm
- **Tuesday 9 June** South Chingford Community Library 11am – 4pm
- **Thursday 11 June** Selborn Walk Square 9.30am – 4pm
- **Saturday 13 June** Chingford Village Festival 12noon – 5pm
- **Wednesday 17 June** Town Hall information session 6.30pm – 8pm



Email: fostering@walthamforest.gov.uk

www.walthamforest.gov.uk/fostering

020 8496 3668



Making a difference

- You could help change lives by becoming a foster carer
- Find out more during Foster Care Fortnight next month



Jay Brown, a member of the borough's Children in Care Council, is currently looked after by Sandra Elliot and her family. Photo by COCO

If you have patience, humour and energy along with good communication skills then you could help make a huge difference to a child's life by becoming a foster carer.

Waltham Forest has many fantastic foster carers who provide a nurturing and stable environment where a child can feel safe and secure. And ahead of Foster Care Fortnight – an awareness-raising campaign organised by the Fostering Network which takes place from Monday 1 to Sunday 14 June – Waltham Forest News spoke to one young person who's benefitted from the borough's fostering service.

Eleven-year-old Jay Brown is currently being looked after by Sandra and Lee Elliott, a couple who have helped several young people during their time as foster carers in Waltham Forest.

Jay said: "Living with Sandra, Lee and their family has been a good experience. They're really nice. I've got two brothers and a sister [Sandra's birth children] who I like having around because they understand me and take me nice places."

Sandra first thought about becoming a foster carer 16 years ago when she contracted a serious virus – prompting her family to rally together to support Sandra and her children.

She said: "Over the years we have fostered three children long term and had a few short term placements. The children have gone onto independent living or back with their birth families. Fostering is hard work but very rewarding."

As well as receiving a professional fee for their care work, foster carers are given an allowance for each child they foster to meet all their needs. A variety of support services are also available to help foster carers whenever they need it.

Jay remembers being shy when he first came to live with Sandra, but has since grown in confidence. "Although Sandra and Lee are not my real parents, they act like they are and get on with my mum and dad, he said. "I am happy that my mum likes Sandra and understands if I sometimes accidentally call her mum."

"Since living with Sandra I have been to lots of clubs. I played rugby for Chingford Rugby Club for a year and now play football for Ridgeway Rovers. I started Cubs when I first come to live with Sandra and am now a Scout."

For the past two years, Jay has also been a member of the borough's Children in Care (CIC) Council – elected representatives of Waltham Forest's children and young people in care and care leavers. Their aim is to represent the issues and concerns of young people in order to help the Council shape the services that matter most to them.

"We meet regularly and aim to get more children involved," he said. We talk about lots of different things and get to talk to the heads of Children's Services. We have also organised summer fun days and all went camping in Scotland last summer which was a fantastic break – we got to climb Ben Nevis!"

"After the recent CIC Council elections, we talked a lot about politics at school which I really enjoyed so I might like to become a politician! I always wanted to be

a footballer but I know you have to be really good."

Cllr Mark Rusling, Waltham Forest Council's Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, said: "It's fantastic to see how well young people like Jay are doing thanks to amazing foster carers like Sandra and her family."

"The positive impact our fostering service can have on a young person's life cannot be underestimated and so I would encourage anyone considering becoming a foster carer to get in touch – you really could make a huge difference."

More info

You can find out more by coming to a free screening of a short film all about fostering at the Empire Cinema in Walthamstow at 11am on Tuesday 2 June, followed by a meet-and-greet with foster carers at Pizza Express. Book your place at the event by emailing fostering@walthamforest.gov.uk. Alternatively, learn more at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/fostering.

In brief



Cllr Angie Bean unveils the mural at George Mason Lodge

Mural unveiled

Residents at a care home in Leytonstone have been given an early taste of summer thanks to an art project created by local teenagers. Students at Leyton Sixth Form College have been demonstrating their artistic flair at George Mason Lodge, in Chelmsford Road, by painting a beach-themed mural on the wall of the Council-run care home's garden outbuilding. The project, which was funded by a donation to the home from a member of the public, came about after staff at George Mason Lodge invited the College to transform the wall into a colourful piece of art. Cllr Angie Bean, Waltham Forest Council's Cabinet Member for Adult Services, said: "Thanks to this hard-working group of talented young people, residents at George Mason Lodge now have a beautiful mural in their back garden – and a permanent taste of summer to put a smile on their faces whatever the weather."

• Find out more about residential care, supported and sheltered housing in Waltham Forest by visiting www.walthamforest.gov.uk/housing.

Get Pension Wise

Help is at hand if you are approaching retirement and need some advice on what to do with your pension pot. Waltham Forest Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) is offering Pension Wise meetings, which are designed to help people make sense of their pension choices. New pensions reforms, which came into effect last month, means people now have more choice about how to use their pension pots. The 45 minute appointments will be tailored to individual needs, taking into account your retirement plans and pension value. You can also get Pension Wise guidance over the phone and online.

• For more information phone Waltham Forest CAB on 020 3233 0250 or visit www.pensionwise.gov.uk.

WALTHAM FOREST
Get Together

Mid-summer Festival

Waltham Forest Jubilee Park, Seymour Road, Leyton E10 7BL

Sunday 21 June 2015 1pm–6pm

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Planning

London Borough of Waltham Forest Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 – Section 67

Notice is hereby given that the following application affecting a building within a conservation area has been made to the Council.

APPL.NO: 151297/HOU

APPLICANT: Mr Marlon Smith

ADDRESS: 29 Ropers Avenue, Chingford, E4 9EG

PROPOSAL: Loft conversion with side and rear dormer window.

The application is available to view on the following website:

<http://planning.walthamforest.gov.uk>

The application can also be viewed at, Sycamore House offices, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JF; between 9am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday, where a duty planning officer will be available to assist you.

Any views you would like to make for the above proposal, must be submitted in writing to the Council within 21 days of the date of this letter. Due to the number of correspondence (letters, emails etc) received by the Council relating to planning applications, it will not be possible to acknowledge or respond to your correspondences should you submit any. However, all views/comments received are fully considered during the assessment of the planning application. Please note that the planning file, including correspondence received for the application, are open to the public.

Dated this day 25th May 2015

David Scourfield – Head of Development Management and Building Control
London Borough of Waltham Forest

London Borough of Waltham Forest Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 – Section 67

Notice is hereby given that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required

APPL.NO: 151194/HOU

APPLICANT: Mr Gani Morina

ADDRESS: 62 Ropers Avenue, Chingford, E4 9EQ

PROPOSAL: Single storey side and rear extension

The application is available to view on the following website:

<http://planning.walthamforest.gov.uk>

The application can also be viewed at, Sycamore House offices, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JF; between 9am and 4.00pm, Monday to Friday, where a duty planning officer will be available to assist you.

Any views you would like to make for the above proposal, must be submitted in writing to the Council within 21 days of the date of this letter. Due to the number of correspondence (letters, emails etc) received by the Council relating to planning applications, it will not be possible to acknowledge or respond to your correspondences should you submit any. However, all views/comments received are fully considered during the assessment of the planning application. Please note that

the planning file, including correspondence received for the application, are open to the public.

Dated this day 25th May 2015
David Scourfield – Head of Development Management and Building Control
London Borough of Waltham Forest

Highways

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

PROVISION OF WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS, FOOTWAY PARKING UNDER GLC ACT 1974 AND PARKING AMENDMENTS

The Waltham Forest (Waiting and Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. 74) Traffic Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Leytonstone East CPZ) (Parking Places) (Amendment No. 5) Traffic Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Winns Avenue CPZ) (Parking Places) (Amendment No. 1) Traffic Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Cashless Parking Places) (Amendment No. 14) Traffic Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Free Parking Places) (Short Stay) (Amendment No. 24) Traffic Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Bus Lanes) (Amendment No. 4) Order 2015

The Waltham Forest (Weight Restriction) (1990 No. 4) Revocation Order 2015

T2 (2015)

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on **22nd May 2015** made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.

2. The general effect of the waiting restriction Order will be to:

(a) introduce double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions in the roads and lengths of road specified in Schedule 1 of this Notice;

(b) extend the existing double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions in the roads and lengths of road specified in Schedule 2 of this Notice;

(c) convert existing single yellow line waiting restrictions to double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions in the roads and lengths of road specified in Schedule 3 of this Notice;

(d) provide a 7.7-metre 30 minutes maximum stay (no return with 2 hours) free short stay parking place on the footway in **Cann Hall Road E11**, south-east side, outside No. 139/141 Cann Hall Road, the free short stay parking place would operate Mondays to Saturdays between 8 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.;

(e) remove double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions and extend the permit parking place in **Carlton Road E11**, north-west side, for 10.5 metres outside Nos. 4 to 8 Carlton Road;

(f) remove approx 12 metres of single yellow line waiting restrictions and replace them with pay by phone parking space in **High Road Leyton E10**, west side, opposite No. 394 High Road Leyton (Nb. The pay by phone (Cashless) parking place would operate Mondays to Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. with 15 minutes free parking or paid-for-

parking with a maximum stay of 2 hours and no return within 2 hours. The charges for cashless parking are 80 pence for 30 minutes, £1.30 per hour, £2.00 for 1hr and 30 minutes and £2.60 for 2 hours);

(g) remove free informal parking space and provide a 21.3-metre 30 minute maximum stay (no return within 2 hours) free short stay parking place in **James Lane E11**, south-east side, opposite Nos. 46 and 48 James Lane with 2.4 metres of double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions to the north-east and 0.5 metres to the south-west of that parking place, the free short stay parking place would operate Mondays to Fridays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.;

(h) remove single yellow line waiting restrictions and replace them and the adjacent unrestricted road length with double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions in **Kingsley Gardens E4**, both sides, between Chingford Mount Road and a point approximately 11 metres east of the common boundary of Nos. 1/2 and 2/3 Kingsley Gardens;

(i) remove informal parking space and provide a 10-metre 30 minute maximum stay (no return within 2 hours) free short stay parking place in **Tavistock Road E11**, south-west side, adjacent to No. 143 Cann Hall Road, the free short stay parking place would operate Mondays to Saturdays between 8 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.;

(j) replace a permit parking place with double yellow line "at any time" waiting restrictions in **Winns Avenue E17**, north-west side, for 5.8 metres outside No. 204 Winns Avenue;

(k) remove a 10 tonne gross weight limit across the rail bridge in **Palmerston Road E17**; and

(l) make permanent an existing bus lane on the south-west side of **Church Road E10** between its junctions with Palamos Road E10 and Gloucester Road E10 operating between 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Mondays to Fridays inclusive, with a north-westward direction of travel (excluding pedal cycles, taxis and dial-a-ride) (there will be no changes to way this bus lane currently operates on-street).

3. Copies of the Orders, which will come into operation on **25th May 2015** and other relevant documents can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the expiration of a period of 6 weeks from that date, at: (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; and (b) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.

4. Any person desiring to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may, within six weeks of the making of the Orders, make application for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated 25th May 2015
Mr K. Valavan – Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

SCHEDULE 1

Aldriche Way E4: (1) north-east side, for 8 metres north-west of the access road situated north-west of St. Nicholas Court; and (2) access road situated to the north-

west of St. Nicholas Court, north-west side for 8 metres north-east of its junction with Aldriche Way (main carriageway);

Chadwick Avenue E4: both sides, for 8 metres north of its junction with The Bramblings (and provide unrestricted footway parking in various locations on the west side (2-wheels on the footway only within marked bays only);

Coppermill Lane E17, south-east side, for 7 metres across the gated entrance to No. 209 Coppermill Lane; **Crescent Road E10**, south-west side, for 6.5 metres opposite No. 59 Crescent Road; **Eaton's Mead E4**, north-east side, for 16 metres south-east of its junction with Valley Side; **Edward Avenue E4**, west side, for 8 metres either side of Frances Road; **Epping Glade E4**, south-east side, for 18 metres opposite Hawkwood Crescent; **Forest Road E11**, north-west side, for 17.3 metres south-west of the north-eastern kerb-line of Colworth Road; **Frances Road E4**, both sides, for 8 metres west of its junction with Edward Avenue; **Gramer Close E11**, the whole length of the south-eastern extremity; **Grange Road E17 (excluding section off St. James Street E17)**,

– (1) the south-west to north-east arm – south-east side – for 5 metres in a south-westerly direction from the north-west to south-east arm of Grange Road, and (2) the north-west to south-east arm – south-west side – all; **Hainault Road E10**, north-west side, for 7.5 metres across the access-way between Nos. 259 and 267 Hainault Road; **Lambourne Gardens E4**, south-west side, for 10 metres opposite Nos. 10/12 Lambourne Gardens; **Low Hall Lane E17**, north-west side, for 25 metres on the school keep clear markings at the entrance to Low Hall Nursery School; **Lynmouth Road E17** – north-west side – 6.2 metres south-west of its junction with Grange Road; **Maida Avenue E4**, the south side, for an additional 32.7 metres adjacent to No. 10 Sewardstone Road; **Marmion Close E4**: (1) north-west side, opposite Nos. 55/57 Marmion Close for 13 metres around the corner of the junction; and (2) north-east side, opposite Nos. 48 to 52 Marmion Close for 13 metres around the corner of the junction; **Meadow Close E4**, both sides, for 8 metres south-west of its junction with Mount Echo Avenue; **Mount Avenue E4**, for approximately 13.5 metres around the north-west corner of the junction outside No. 39 Mount Avenue; **Mount Echo Avenue E4**, the south-west side, for 8 metres north-west and 12.6 metres south-east of Meadow Close; **Omnibus Way E17**: (1) for 16 metres around the south-east corner of the junction outside No. 10 Omnibus Way; (2) for 16 metres around the south-west corner of the junction outside No. 9 Omnibus Way; (3) for 16 metres around the north-east corner of the junction outside No. 19 Omnibus Way; (4) for 16 metres around the north-west corner of the junction outside No. 47 Omnibus Way; (5) for 15.4 metres around the south-east corner of the junction outside No. 30 Omnibus Way; **Selwyn Avenue**, south side, for 5.1 metres across the vehicle access opposite Nos. 180/182 Selwyn Avenue; **The Bramblings E4**, the north side, for 8 metres either side of Chadwick Avenue; **Valley Side E4**, south-east side, for 18 metres north-east of its junction

with Eatons Mead; **Waverley Avenue**

E17, both sides, for 8 metres south-east of its junction with Waverley Road; and **Waverley Road E17**, south-east side, for 8 metres either side of Waverley Avenue.

SCHEDULE 2

Acacia Road E17 north-westernmost arm adjoining Low Hall Lane – the remainder of the east side; **Colworth Road E11**, north-east side, for 16.5 metres south-east of the north-western kerb-line of Forest Road; **Hale End Road E17**, west side: (1) for an additional 12.2 metres south of Lamorna Close; and (2) for an additional 15.9 metres north of MacDonald Road; **Marmion Close E4**, inner or garden side, throughout its length; **Normanshire Drive E4**, for an additional 13.1 metres adjacent to No. 242 Chingford Mount Road; and **Wallwood Road E11**, for an additional 2.4 metres north-west of the existing double yellow lines at its junction with Kingswood Road; **Woodview Avenue E4**, extend for 34.9 metres eastwards (opposite No. 32 to 42 Woodview Avenue).

SCHEDULE 3

Chingford Mount Road E4, east side, for 5 metres north and 4 metres south of Kingsley Gardens; **Connaught Avenue E4**, the north-east side, for 8 metres north-west and 4 metres south-east of Farnley Road; **Cooper's Lane E10**, the south side, for 6.9 metres east of the eastern boundary of No. 2a Cooper's Lane; **Farneley Road E4**, both sides, for 8 metres north-east of its junction with Connaught Avenue; **High Road Leyton E10**, west side, for 7 metres opposite Nos. 404 to 424 High Road Leyton; and **West Avenue Road E17**, south-west side for 6.1 metres opposite Nos. 4 and 6 West Avenue Road.

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

BLACKHORSE ROAD CORRIDOR (T32) REMOVAL OF PARKING AND VARIOUS WAITING AND LOADING AMENDMENTS

THE WALTHAM FOREST (BLACKHORSE ROAD CPZ) (PARKING PLACES) (REVOCATION NO. 1) TRAFFIC ORDER 2015

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council on **22nd May 2015** made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.

The general effect of the Orders to coincide with relocated bus stops, Zebra and cycle improvements will be:

- in **Blackhorse Road E17**, to remove two parking places (i) between Nos. 152 and 154 Blackhorse Road and (ii) between Nos. 118 and 148 Blackhorse Road; and
- convert single yellow line waiting restrictions to "at any time" double yellow lines waiting restrictions:

(i) for a distance of 8 metres on both sides of **Cornwallis Road E17**, **Courtenay Road E17**, **Glenthorne Road E17**, **Hawarden Road E17**, **Lloyd Road E17**, **Longfield Avenue E17**, **Northcote Road E17**, **Southcote Road E17**, **Stoneydown** and **Tenby Road E17**, from their junctions with Blackhorse Road; and

(ii) on both sides of **Blackhorse Road**

E17 between Forest Road and Mission Grove.

2. Copies of the Orders, which will come into operation on **26th May 2015** and other relevant documents can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the expiration of a period of 6 weeks from that date, at: (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; and (b) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.

3. Any person desiring to question the validity of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may, within six weeks of the making of the Orders, make application for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated 25th May 2015

Mr K. Valavan – Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

**LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
– SECTION 14(1)**

THE WALTHAM FOREST (WOOD STREET (NORTH) CPZ EXTENSION) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING) (NO. 1) ORDER 2015

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that on **22nd May 2015** it made an Order for highway signing and lining works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in certain roads, the general effect of which will be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) in certain roads.

2. Whilst the works are being carried out no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in the roads listed in the Schedule to this Notice.

N.B. These works will not be carried out simultaneously in all roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council.

3. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order will be removed.

4. The restrictions mentioned above will not apply in relation to any vehicle being used:

(a) in connection with the said works; or (b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency.

5. The Order will come into operation on **25th May 2015** and will be valid for a maximum period of 3 months.

Dated 25th May 2015

Mr K. Valavan – Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

SCHEDULE

Brandon Road E17, Corbett Road E17, Cuthbert Road E17, Linford Road E17, Stocksfield Road E17, Waverley Avenue E17, Waverley Road E17.

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
– SECTION 14(1)**

THE WALTHAM FOREST (EVESHAM AVENUE E17) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING) (NO. 1) ORDER 2015

THE WALTHAM FOREST (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTION) (AMENDMENT NO. 75) TRAFFIC ORDER 2015

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that on **22nd May 2015** it made an Order to enable redevelopment works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in **Evesham Avenue E17**, the general effect of which would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) in sections of this road (**TT36(15)**).

2. Whilst the works are being carried out, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to wait or load for any purpose at any time on either side of **Evesham Avenue E17**.

3. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.

4. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used:

(a) in connection with the said works; or (b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency.

5. The Order will come into operation on **25th May 2015** between **8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Saturdays**, for a period of 12 months or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

NOTE: These works would not be carried out simultaneously in all sections of road mentioned above but in a sequence as directed by the Council. Signage placed in advance of any works in the above mentioned road would give more specific details on the exact dates of the restrictions and effects of any temporary traffic management as necessary.

Dated 25th May 2015

Mr K. Valavan – Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

EXPERIMENTAL INTRODUCTION OF CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES (CPZs) – GROVE GREEN AREA – NORTH AND WEST

T13(15)

(This notice is about the introduction of experimental Traffic Orders for the Grove Green West (GGW) and Grove Green North (GGN) Controlled Parking Zones (CPZ). During the first 6 months that the experimental Traffic Orders are in operation, objections may be made to them being continued permanently – see paragraph 6.)

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the London Borough of Waltham Forest (the Council) on **22nd May 2015** made **The Waltham Forest (Grove Green CPZ) (Parking Places) Experimental Traffic Order 2015, The Waltham Forest (Waiting & Loading Restriction) (Amendment No. 73) Experimental Traffic Order 2015 and The Waltham Forest (Cashless Parking Places)**

(Amendment No. 15) Experimental Traffic Order 2015 under sections 9 and 10 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The Orders will come into force on 3rd June 2015 and may continue in force for up to 18 months.

2. The general effect of the Orders will be to:

(a) introduce the **Grove Green North (GGN)** Controlled Parking Zone into:

Belgrave Road E10, Boreham Close E10 (as much as public highway), Brunswick Road E10, Francis Road E10, Grosvenor Road E10, Hainault Road E10 (between its junction with High Road Leyton and No. 45a Hainault Road), King Edward Road E10, Lawton Road E10 and Norlington Road E10 (between its junction with Hainault Road E10 and Morley Road E10); and

(b) introduce the **Grove Green West (GGW)** Controlled Parking Zone into:

Beaconsfield Road E10, Buckland Road E10, Dawlish Road E10, Huxley Road E10, Jesse Road E10, Leyton Park Road E10, Lindley Road E10, Murchison Road E10 (between its junction with High Road Leyton and Francis Road), Salisbury Road E10, Sedgwick Road E10, Sidmouth Road E10, St George's Road E10, St Mary's Road E10 and Tyndall Road E10

(c) introduce permit holder parking places into all roads or parts of roads mentioned in 2(a) and 2(b) above; and

(d) provide pay by phone parking places in **Brunswick Road** (north-east side outside No. 572 High Road, Leyton), **Leyton Park Road E10** (north-west side outside Nos. 254/256 High Road Leyton), **St George's Road E10** (both sides outside the rear of Nos. 238 and 240/242) at their respective junctions with High Road Leyton E10; and on **Murchison Road E10** (south-east side – between Dawlish Road E10. (Nb. All pay by phone (Cashless) parking places will operate Mondays to Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. with 15 minutes free parking or paid-for parking with a maximum stay of 2 hours and no return within 2 hours. The Charges for cashless

parking are 80 pence for 30 minutes, £1.30 per hour, £2.00 for 1hr and 30 minutes and £2.60 for 2 hours)

3. The Orders will provide that:

a) the operational hours in the CPZs for permit parking places in the:

(i) Grove Green North (GGN) CPZ will be between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Mondays to Saturdays inclusive; and

(ii) Grove Green West (GGW) CPZ will be between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive.

(b) virtual residents' permits, business/charity permits, visitors' permits, school parking permits, virtual and hard-copy residents' foreign vehicle permits and essential user/carers permits may be issued, on payment of the appropriate charge, to a person who is the keeper of a passenger vehicle (having 8 passenger seats or less), certain goods carrying vehicles and invalid carriages, (motor cycles would be able to park in permit parking places, free of charge, without the need of a parking permit) providing that in the case of:

(i) a virtual residents' permit, they are a resident of a streets specified above (and certain properties in High Road, Leyton and Francis Road E10) and their vehicle is UK registered to that address;

(ii) a foreign vehicles residents' permit (hard-copy/virtual), they are a resident of a street specified above and their vehicle is registered outside of the UK;

(iii) a business/charity permit/business visitor's permit, they have a business in a street specified above and that the permit is for a vehicle which is essential to the operation of that business/charity and is used in the purchase and sale of goods or services in connection with that business/charity;

(iv) an essential users/carers permit, they are a doctor or carer who has a surgery in or works in the London Borough of Waltham Forest, or employed by or contracted to the Council, or employed by or contracted to a health authority, or employed by the Metropolitan Police,

or employed by the London Fire and Civil Defence Authority, or a company that services fire fighting appliances and for whom the use of a vehicle is essential to the carrying out of their public service duties in a street specified above;

(v) a visitors' permit, they are a resident of a street specified above and that such permit is to be used by a bona fide visitor to their home;

(vi) a schools parking permit, they are a parent of a student enlisted at a school situated in or near to the streets specified above;

(c) vehicles displaying any valid permit displaying the letters:

(i) **GGN** may use the permit parking places provided in the streets specified in paragraph 2(a) above and in permit parking places signed with the letters GGN in streets within the GGN CPZ (north-east of Francis Road); and

(ii) **GGW** may use the permit parking places provided in the streets specified in paragraph 2(b) above and in permit parking places signed with the letters GGW in streets within the GGW CPZ (south-west of Francis Road); and

(iii) except in the permit parking places referred to in the streets specified in paragraph 2 above, waiting by vehicles will be banned between:

• 8 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Mondays to Saturdays inclusive in CPZ GGN; and

• 8 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive in CPZ GGW [*"At any time"* waiting restrictions in certain areas of certain streets listed in paragraph 2 above will also apply]

(d) those addresses specified in:

(i) **Schedule 1** to this Notice relate to those properties whose occupiers are eligible to purchase permits to park in the GGN CPZ; and

(ii) **Schedule 2** to this Notice relate to those properties whose occupiers are eligible to purchase permits to park in the GGW CPZ.

The charges for permits and vehicle class will be as follows:

Engine size less than 900cc registered before 1st March 2001	Engine size between 901cc and 3000cc registered before 1st March 2001	Engine size more than 3000cc registered before 1st March 2001	CO2 emissions less than 120 g/km registered after 1st March 2001	CO2 emissions between 121 and 225 g/km registered after 1st March 2001	CO2 emissions more than 225 g/km registered after 1st March 2001
Residents' permit – 12 months)	£12.50	£25.00	£120.00	£12.50	£25.00
Residents' permit (second vehicle) – 12 months	£42.00	£90.00	£210.00	£42.00	£90.00
Residents' permit (more than two vehicles) – 12 months	£65.00	£150.00	£280.00	£65.00	£150.00
Virtual Residents' permit – 1 month	£10.00	£20.00	£100.00	£10.00	£20.00
Residents' permit (virtual/hard-copy) foreign vehicle – 6 months	£24.00	£50.00	£150.00	£24.00	£50.00
Schools 15 minute permit – 12 months	£21.00	£42.00	£125.00	£21.00	£42.00

Other permits

All-Zone Business Visitor's Permit – book of 30 permits (valid for 1 hour each) £23, book of 20 permits (valid for 2 hours each) £30, and book of 10 permits (valid for 5 hours each) £40; Business Permit – 3 months, £220; Business Permit – 12 months, £390; Business Permit – 12 months (more than two vehicles), £570; Charity permit – 12 months, £40; Charity permit – 12 months (more than two vehicles), £172; Essential User Permit – 1 month, £30; Essential User Permit – 6 months, £110; Essential User Permit – 12 months, £190; Visitor permits – 1 hour book of 30, £14 (free to over 60's, 1 book per year); Visitor permits – 2 hours book of 20, £16; Visitor permits – 5 hours book of 10, £18, Vouchers - 80 pence for 30 minutes or £1.30 per hour. Services charges for change of VRM or change of address £5, for refunds £10 (refunds under £1 not permitted) and lost or stolen permits, £20.

4. Where it appears necessary for certain purposes, an authorised officer of the Council may, in pursuance of section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, modify or suspend any provision of the experimental Traffic Orders while they are in force.

5. Documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection between 9.30 am and 4.30 pm on Mondays to Fridays inclusive (except Bank Holidays), from 25th May 2015 until the Orders cease to have effect, at (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; (b) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.

6. The Council will be considering in due course whether the provisions of the experimental Orders should be continued in force indefinitely by means of permanent Orders made under sections 6, 45, 46 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Any person may object to the making of the permanent Orders for the purpose of such indefinite continuation within a period of six months beginning with the day on which the experimental Orders come into force or, if the Orders are varied by another Order or modified pursuant to section 10(2) of the 1984 Act, beginning with the day on which the variation or modification or the latest variation or modification came into force. Any such objection must be made in writing and must state the grounds on which it is made and be sent to Traffic Orders, Engineering Design, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS quoting reference **T13(15) – Grove Green CPZ**. Any objection may be communicated to, or be seen by, other persons who may be affected.

7. If any person wishes to question the validity of any of the Orders or of any of their provisions on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any requirement of that Act or any instrument made under that Act has not been complied with, that person may, within 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

Mr K. Valavan – Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

SCHEDULE 1 (properties whose occupiers are eligible to purchase permits to park in the GGN CPZ)

Belgrave Road E10 – all; Boreham Close E10 – The Waltham Forest Borough Custody Centre, Boreham Close, Leyton, London, E11 1FE; **Brunswick Road E10 –** Nos. 1 – 128 inclusive; **Francis Road E10 –** Nos. 247 to 257 (odds only), 279 to 285 (odds only – inclusive) and 299; **Grosvenor Road E10 – all; Hainault Road E10 –** Nos. 1 – 45A (inclusive), 46 to 50A (evens only), 1 to 26 Brunel House (1B and 1C), 1 to 17 Hedley House; **High Road Leyton E10 –** Nos. 512 to 588 (evens only – inclusive), 600, 602 and 1 – 21 Locke House (No. 604) and Nos. 1 to 5A Hainault Buildings; **King Edward Road**

E10 – all; Lawton Road E10 – all; and Norlington Road E10 – Nos. 57, 1 – 12 Steepleton Court, No. 65 and Nos. 75 – 85 (odds only).

SCHEDULE 2 (properties whose occupiers are eligible to purchase permits to park in the GGW CPZ)

Beaconsfield Road E10 – all; **Buckland Road E10 –** all (excluding Nos. 13, 17, 23 and 64); **Dawlish Road E10 – all, Francis Road E10 –** 34, 34A, 94, 96, 216 and 218 (Flats 1 to 6); **High Road Leyton E10 –** Nos. 224 to 268B (evens only – inclusive), 274 to 368C (evens only – inclusive), 372 to 394 (evens only – inclusive), 404 to 488A (evens only – inclusive), 500 and 500A; **Huxley Road E10 – all; Jesse Road E10 –** Nos. 4 and 6, 41 to 65 (odds only – inclusive); **Leyton Park Road E10 – all;** **Lindley Road E10 – all;** **Murchison Road E10 –** 1 to 7 (inclusive Flats 1 to 9), and 4 to 102 (inclusive); **Salisbury Road E10 – all;** **Sedgwick Road E10 – all;** **Sidmouth Road E10 – all;** **St George's Road E10 – all;** **St Mary's Road E10 – all;** and **Tyndall Road E10 – all.**

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Sunday 21 June 2015

12noon – 5pm

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Le Tour de Waltham Forest offers bronze, silver and gold rides to suit all people who cycle or want to try cycling, including families, recreational and club cyclists.

Le Tour De Waltham Forest will start and finish at the Mid-Summer Festival featuring Eastern European music, food and drink and family fun activities.

To register and for more information visit

www.enjoywalthamforest.co.uk/get-involved/le-tour-de-waltham-forest

**26,000 FREE BULKY WASTE
COLLECTIONS MADE LAST YEAR**



REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

Along with collecting nearly 200,000 bins of waste and recycling each week and sorting litter as we collect it, the new Neighbourhoods Team will be working hard to boost the borough's recycling rates.

Not only will they be encouraging residents to recycle even more waste, but they are continuing to work with local charities so that bulky items such as tables, chairs and sofas can be reused where possible.

The 'Furnishing the Future' programme, run with charity Forest Recycling, is just one of the successes of this work, having won awards for diverting bulky goods away from being recycled or disposed of, to being reused.

When a resident asks for a bulky waste collection, they are asked if the item might be reused. Items such as sofas or wardrobes often have plenty of life left in them, so by arranging for Forest Recycling to pick them up, rather than the Council's recycling crew, the items can be found a new home with another family.

PRIORY COURT IMPROVEMENTS

The Neighbourhoods Team is already working hard to make a difference. Following concerns raised by local residents about overgrown bushes in Priory Court, Walthamstow that were collecting litter and being used to hide illegal objects, the team got to work.

Coordinating a day of action they brought together all of the organisations that were needed to sort out this problem including Community Payback, housing providers, police and other Council teams. Working together they removed bushes, cleared litter and fly-tipping, then covered the ground with wood chip to make it look better and help keep it tidy. Thorn bushes were also removed to make regular works easier and new plants that are better suited to the area are being introduced.

This has all led to the area becoming cleaner, safer and more accessible to the local community.



**EVERY STREET CLEANED AT
LEAST ONCE A WEEK**

LOVE YOUR AREA

While the Neighbourhoods Team will continue to work hard to provide quality services, we still need your help. As well as doing your bit by putting your litter in the bin, picking up after your dog and recycling even more of your waste, we want you to report any issues that you see.

By letting us know about fly-tipping, untidy areas or issues around dog fouling, we can not only clear it up but we can also look at ways of stopping it from happening in the future, like issuing fines and prosecuting offenders.

We know the actions of a few can spoil our great neighbourhoods, so by working together and giving us information about issues in your area, we can investigate and take action to make sure your street is clean, green, safe and most of all loved.



**FLY-TIPPING REDUCED BY A THIRD
IN THREE YEARS**

SEE IT – REPORT IT

Everybody has a role to play in keeping the borough clean. If you see an issue, do your bit and report it.

- Online at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/report-it
- Phone Waltham Forest Direct on **020 8496 3000**
- Email wfdirect@walthamforest.gov.uk
- Follow the Council on Twitter [@wfcouncil](https://twitter.com/wfcouncil)

To find out more about the Neighbourhoods Team visit:
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/mystreet

